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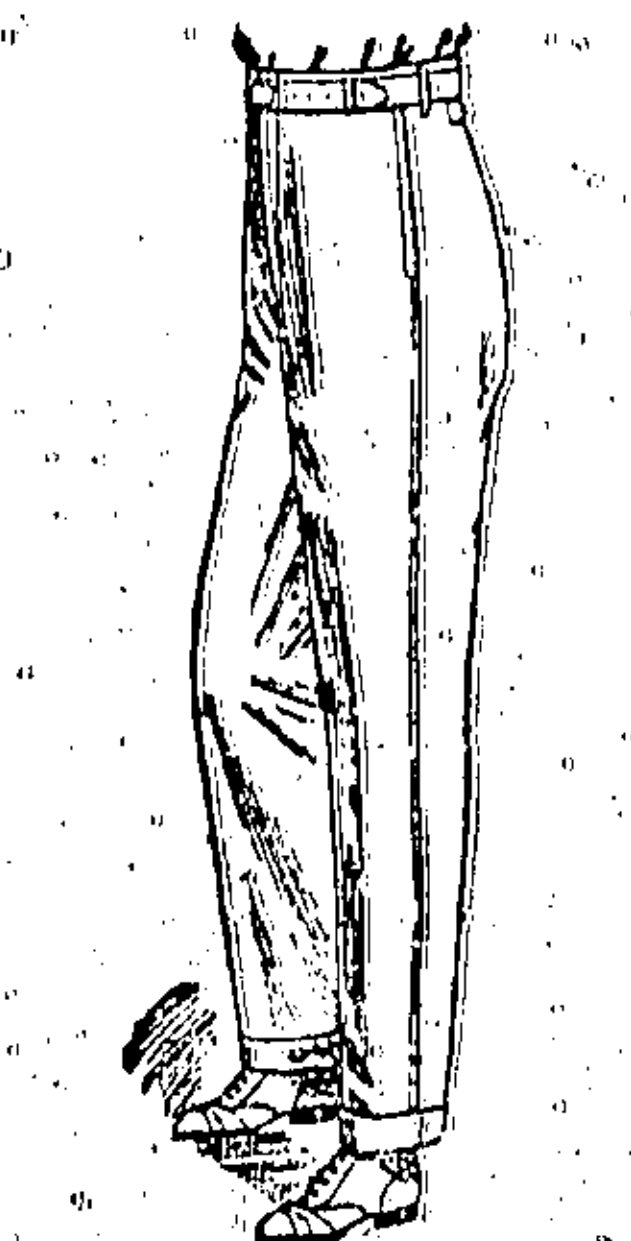
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## "FALSE ANSWER."

ADMISSION BY WING ON  
EMPLOYEE.

TO-DAY'S COURT SENSATION.

"Told To Keep Previous Forgeries  
Secret."

There was a sensation in court  
at this morning's hearing of the  
charge of conspiring to defraud  
the Wing On Bank was drawing  
to its conclusion.

The Chinese who was acting as  
assistant cashier of the Wing On  
Bank at the time of the incidents  
in regard to which two men are  
charged with conspiracy to de-  
fraud the Bank, admitted under  
cross-examination by Mr. Elsiey  
Zeitlyn that he had made a false  
answer at the Magistracy.

The statement concerned a  
question by Mr. Zeitlyn at the  
Magistracy as to whether witness  
(the assistant cashier) had ever  
paid out large sums on forged  
documents before the events with  
which this particular case was  
concerned.

At the Magistracy, witness had  
denied that he had ever done so  
but this morning, in reply to Mr.  
Zeitlyn, he said that this answer  
was false and that the truth was  
that he had paid out two large  
sums on forged documents shortly  
before this particular case, both  
of which were in the neighbour-  
hood of \$20,000 to \$30,000.

Witness's explanation of the  
false reply was that the matter  
was a company secret and that  
he had been warned that he must  
not divulge it.

Witness's Hesitation.  
Asked who had so instructed  
him, witness replied after con-  
siderable hesitancy that the chief  
manager had.

Witness was reminded by Mr.  
Zeitlyn that he had been on his  
oath to tell the truth at the Magis-  
tracy as he was now.

Witness replied that he was an  
employee of the company and he  
considered it his duty not to tell  
when he had been so instructed.

Asked who would be personally  
responsible for the money which  
was lost to the company by the  
forgeries, witness replied that he  
himself was and the chief cashier.

Mr. Zeitlyn: And the fact that  
you were responsible for these  
large sums of money would make  
a big impression on you, wouldn't  
it?

Witness: I knew that I was re-  
sponsible.

Mr. Zeitlyn: Were you to pay  
back the \$50,000 involved in this  
case, as well as the sums on the  
other forged documents?

Witness: I was reprimanded  
about being careful but nothing  
else was said about the \$50,000  
involved in this case.

Mr. Zeitlyn: You are absolutely  
certain about this?

Witness: Yes.

Mr. Zeitlyn: And always have  
been?

Witness: Yes.

Mr. Zeitlyn: Then how do you  
account for the note of the magis-  
trate at the police court which re-  
cords that in the answers you  
gave me there you said that you  
could not remember what Mr.  
Philip Gock-chin, the Chief  
Manager, said about this matter,  
whether he was angry or whether  
"we should be held responsible."

The Magistrate's note records  
that you replied to my question on  
this matter after a period of  
hesitation and that you said you  
could not remember whether you  
were told that you might have to  
make good the amount.

Witness: I remember now that  
nothing was said about my being  
held responsible.

Solicitors and Books.  
The events transpiring at the  
chambers of Mr. F. C. Jenkin  
when Mr. Leo d'Almada and Mr.  
G. K. Hall Brutton called and  
were permitted to view certain  
books was also the subject of  
cross-examination this morning.

The two lawyers having asked  
if they might see the deposit  
books kept by the Bank when cus-  
tomers had withdrawn the full  
amount deposited, it was stated in  
court this morning that Mr.  
Jenkin allowed them the use of  
a screened portion of his verandah  
to examine the stock of books of  
this description kept by the Bank.

Mr. Zeitlyn put it in cross-  
examination this morning to the  
TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.  
The closing rate of the dollar,  
on demand, to-day was 2/2 3/16.

## SPURIOUS NOTES.

CHINESE YOUTH FOUND  
GUILTY.

SENTENCE DEFERRED.

Evidence that they were for-  
geries at a glance was given by  
Mr. D. B. Peat, of the Hongkong  
and Shanghai Bank, at the hear-  
ing of a charge of possession of  
134 one-dollar notes against a  
Chinese youth before Major C.  
Willson at the Central Magistracy  
this morning.

The arrest of the accused with  
the notes hidden on his person as  
he was leaving a Macao boat was  
given in evidence by Sergeant  
Macdonald and other witnesses  
after which His Worship held the  
youth to be guilty of the charge.

Sentence was deferred until to-  
morrow and an order was made  
for the notes to be destroyed.

## DUTCH CABINET.

INTERIM WAR MINISTER  
RESIGNS.

(Reuter's Service.)

The Hague, April 22.  
Major Van Royen, ex interim  
Minister of War, has resigned be-  
cause he objects to the proposed  
Ministry of National Defence.

He will be succeeded by Major  
J. M. J. H. Lambony, who was War  
Minister in the last Cabinet.

assistant cashier of the Bank who  
had been present in Mr. Jenkin's  
chambers on that occasion that he  
(the cashier) had shown Mr.  
d'Almada and Mr. Brutton cer-  
tain deposit books among the  
number that were there in bun-  
dles which had no name of the de-  
positors on the label.

This the assistant cashier de-  
nied, stating that he had merely  
handed the solicitors bundles and  
that he did not look at any single  
book at all. No books were ever  
issued to depositors without their  
names being on the label.

Mr. Zeitlyn said that he had  
made a specific request for the  
production of certain books and  
an undertaking had been given  
that they would be in court that  
morning.

Mr. Jenkin: There they are,  
two boxes full of them, (opening  
them to the solicitor's table).

Mr. Zeitlyn: But I asked for  
those which were shown to Mr.  
d'Almada and Mr. Brutton at  
your chambers which had no  
names of depositors on the label.

Mr. Zeitlyn also added that he  
did not think that it was quite  
satisfactory for Mr. Jenkin to  
say "There they are, Mr. Zeitlyn."

The request had been that the  
witness should produce them.

His Lordship said that he  
thought the promise had been  
made by Mr. Jenkin and he had  
produced them.

Mr. Zeitlyn: But not the ones  
without the names.

Mr. Jenkin: There are no  
books issued and then cancelled  
which have no names on them.

Witness was also equally firm  
on this point in spite of repeated  
questions by Mr. Zeitlyn.

The case is being continued this  
afternoon.

Label Handwriting.  
The assistant cashier of the  
Bank at the time of the incidents  
which are being inquired into  
gave evidence yesterday after-  
noon and was examined by Mr.  
Jenkin with reference to ap-  
parent handwriting of his, on a  
deposit book label.

This, said witness, was not his  
actual writing.

Earlier in the proceedings Mr.  
Jenkin stated that he would prove  
that the prisoners had used an  
envelope with the cashier's sig-  
nature on it to forge the signature.

Further examined yesterday,  
the cashier stated that entries on  
certain pages of the two deposit  
books handed to him were  
genuine; others were not.

Cross-examined by Mr. Zeitlyn,  
witness said that he was in charge  
of the accounts at the Wing On  
Bank in 1923, but had been on  
vacation in country for about 30  
days in May and June. While he  
was absent, another man took his  
place, and remained there until  
he returned.

Asked by Mr. Zeitlyn if he  
would pay out if his handwriting  
was not on the label of the de-  
posit book, witness said that he  
would have to ascertain whether  
it was the handwriting of any  
of his assistants.

## CITY FIRE.

BLAZE AT WELLINGTON  
STREET.

A MORNING CALL.

The third-floor of No. 162,  
Wellington Street, used as an eat-  
ing house, was gutted in a fire  
which broke out on this part of  
the building this morning. The  
flames had secured a good hold  
when the alarm was received at  
the Central Fire Station, but the  
efforts of the fire-fighters to quell  
the outbreak proved successful  
after considerable labour.

The inmates of all the floors  
took to the street on the alarm  
being given and there were no  
casualties.

Besides the third floor, which  
was left with the bare walls stand-  
ing, the flames worked into a part  
of the second floor used as a  
restaurant. The contents of the  
floors below were damaged by  
water.

The extent of the damage has  
not been assessed. It is under-  
stood that the building was in-  
sured for \$4,000.

## FIRE AT SEA.

SUNK IN THE STRAITS OF  
MALACCA.

CREW TAKEN TO BOATS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, April 23.  
The Straits Steamship Company's  
steamer "Penang" is on fire and has  
sunk in the Straits of Malacca.

The crew are taking to the boats.

## BIG FIRE.

NORTH-CHINA CITY IN  
FLAMES?

Y.M.C.A. GUTTED.

(Wah Tsz Yat Po.)

Shanghai, April 22.  
Yesterday, a big fire broke out  
at Nanking.

Many business houses were  
burned down.

The (Chinese?) Y.M.C.A. and  
the Commercial Press (local  
branch) were gutted.

## ACCIDENTS.

TWO MOTOR CASES AND  
A DEATH.

Driving a motor car at Corona-  
tion Road yesterday afternoon,  
Mrs. Geldart, of Torres Building,  
Kowloon, ran into a Chinese girl  
who came from the rear of a bus.

The girl received injuries to the  
face and was taken by Mr.  
Geldart in her car to the Kowloon  
Hospital and later to the Kwong  
Wah Hospital. On inquiries  
being made by the police after a  
report was made, it was found  
that the girl had been removed by  
her people after receiving atten-  
tion.

At 2.30 this morning a motor  
bus ran into two ricksha coolies at  
Gascoigne Road, necessitating the  
removal of the men to the Kwong  
Wah Hospital. The driver of the  
bus has been detained.

Drowned.  
While sitting over the edge of  
a Taikoo Sugar Refinery lighter  
lying alongside the wharf at  
North Point, a member of the  
crew dropped into the water at  
7 o'clock this morning.

The coxswain heard the call  
"man overboard" and promptly  
threw a rope. An attempt was  
made by the unfortunate man to  
reach the rope, but failing in this  
he was carried away by the strong  
current flowing at the time and  
lost.

## CANTON PERSONALITIES.

Interesting personalities in the  
realm of Canton politics are men-  
tioned in to-day's vernacular  
papers, as follows:

General Chang Kai-shek (Canton's  
commander-in-chief) quoted  
to have denied any intention of  
leaving Canton. "Will support  
the national revolutionary ideals."

Mr. Wong Ching-wai (chairman  
of the Political Council) may go  
to Shanghai.

General Ngai Bong-ping (former  
"anti-Red" leader and once  
chief of police) seeking service  
under Sun Chuan-fang, warlord  
who controls Chekiang province.

## PROTEST "STRIKE."

HOIHOW MERCHANTS  
AGAINST PICKETS.

BOYCOTT BOYCOTTED.

A boycott has been declared by  
the merchants of Hoihow against  
the pickets, who are maintaining  
the anti-foreign boycott at that  
port.

As a matter of fact, the com-  
mercial interests have suspended  
operations against what they con-  
sider to be the high-handed action  
of the local boycott committee.

This Monday, a foreign steamer  
(said to be the "Mingsang") was  
in port. A junk, loaded with  
poultry for export, was making  
for the ship, when pickets—vigil-  
ance having been increased on  
the steamer's arrival—gave chase.

Rather than let the goods fall  
into the hands of the pickets, the  
shippers' folks threw most of it  
overboard. As the birds were in  
baskets in crates, some of the  
abandoned poultry was retrieved.

At any rate, one fowl was ar-  
rested. He was sentenced by a  
"committee of cargo investiga-  
tion" to be marched, in shame,  
around the town, as a lesson to  
others.

The mercantile bodies consid-  
ered the punishment too harsh.  
Business organisations decided  
that doors should be closed in  
protest.

Several hundred men are also  
reported to have marched to local  
government offices to petition re-  
dress.

A subsequent incident was the  
capture of one of several lecturers  
(or street speakers) sent out by  
semi-official authorities. He fell  
into the hands of a crowd but was  
rescued by the action of boycott  
pickets, who took into custody a  
bad character.

## NO CASE.

BOMB DISCOVERY  
ARRESTS.

TWO DISCHARGED.

Two out of the three Chinese  
arrested in connection with the  
discovery of alleged bomb material  
at No. 24, Yee Wo Street, Cause-  
way Bay, were discharged by Mr.  
R. E. Lindsell at the Central  
Magistracy this morning when  
Sub-Inspector Field had no evi-  
dence to offer against them.

In the case of the other man, a  
formal remand was asked for and  
granted until Tuesday to enable  
further inquiries to be made. In  
reply to His Worship, the Inspec-  
tor said that he may possibly with-  
draw the charge against this man  
also if he failed to gather evi-  
dence.

Mr. A. E. Hall, defending,  
offered no objection to this  
course.

## RICSHA MISHAP.

WHEEL AND AXLE  
PART.

COOLIE INJURED.

A peculiar accident occurred at  
Bonham Road yesterday as Dr.  
W. B. A. Moore, of the Victoria  
Hospital, was riding in a ricksha.  
One wheel of the vehicle dropped  
out and the coolie was knocked  
down to the ground by receiving  
a prod on his side with a portion  
of the shaft.

Dr. Moore was not hurt and  
escaped with a mere shaking.  
The coolie was struck in the  
region of his spleen and also re-  
ceived abrasions to the right  
ankle.

## THE WEATHER.

NOT A PROMISING  
FORECAST.

The Royal Observatory report  
issued at 11.20 a.m. to-day  
reads:—

Pressure has increased consider-  
ably over N.E. Japan, moderately  
over central Japan and slightly  
over the Bonins. It has decreased  
considerably over the Loo-  
choos, moderately from N. For-  
mosa to Chefoo and slightly from  
S. Formosa to Indo-China.

The anticyclone is passing into  
the Pacific.

The depression over Tongking  
has deepened further and the  
Chinese depression is moving  
eastward across the Eastern Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24  
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day

0.01 inch. Total since January 1,  
20.06 inches, against an average  
of 10.04 inches.

Forecast until noon to-morrow:  
(Hongkong and coast): S.E.  
winds, moderate; overcast, rain;  
fog (Formosa Channel) & W. to  
S.E. winds, moderate.

## SILVER DRUMS.

UNIQUE PRESENTATION TO  
SURREYS.

TRIPLE CEREMONY.

A unique occasion in that it was  
a triple ceremony was observed to-  
day by the 1st Battalion, the East  
Surrey Regiment, which assembled  
about 700 strong on the Murray  
Parade ground this morning.

It was a parade typical of the  
solemn pageantry of the British  
Army. Those who could get away  
from business and a number of  
ladies gathered in the stand, and  
were duly impressed.

First H.E. the Governor (Sir  
Geoff. Clementi) arrived, with Lady  
Clementi, and was accorded a Royal  
salute.

H.E. the General Officer Com-  
manding, Major-General C. C.  
Luard, then came on the ground,  
accompanied by his A.D.C., and  
inspected the battalion.

The old drums were trooped off,  
passing through the whole of the  
lines (drawn up on three sides of  
a square).

The Rev. G. F. Stopford, C.F.,  
pronounced the blessing on the  
silver drums, which were placed  
on a stand in front of the saluting  
base.

Lt.-Col. F. S. Montague Bates,  
who commands the battalion, then  
addressed his men.

In 1896, he said, the 1st East Sur-  
reys were stationed at Agra when  
an epidemic carried off five officers  
and a number of men, including  
2nd Lieut. Walker. Mrs. Walker,  
mother of Lt. Walker, had since  
died and bequeathed £1,000 to the  
regiment for a memorial for her  
son. With this sum, the set of sil-  
ver drums had been purchased and  
would be used by the battalion on  
ceremonial occasions. They would  
be kept in the officers' mess at  
Murray Barracks.

To-day was also the anniversary  
of the second battle of Ypres, in  
which the East Surrey Regiment  
took part. The Colonel recalled  
the part taken by both battalions.  
Fifteen officers (including Major  
R. W. Paterson) were lost in addi-  
tion to 264 other ranks. The 1st  
Battalion behaved with great gal-  
lantry in the defence of Hill 60,  
and won three V.C.'s and many  
other decorations.

Mrs. Luard then made the  
official presentation of the drums,  
each drummer stepping forward  
in turn.

G.O.C.'s Congratulations.  
Major-General Luard congratulated  
the battalion on its splendid  
turn-out and its achievement, re-  
ferring to it as one of the best he  
had seen.

The triple part of the ceremony  
came in the decoration, by the  
G.O.C., of Sergeant Drummer  
French, with the long service and  
good conduct medal (minimum of  
18 years' service). His Excel-  
lency congratulated the recipient  
and pointed to him as an example  
to the many young soldiers on  
parade.

Subsequently, the Surreys  
marched past, played by their  
band and drummers. At the  
saluting base, at which the Union  
Jack had been broken, were the  
Governor, the General and their  
ladies.

Among the spectators were  
noticed Commodore A. J. Stirling,  
R.N., and Major Macready,  
D.A.A., Q.M.G.

It being St. George's Day, the  
soldiers wore the red and white  
roses in their helmets. The Ser-  
geant Drummer, in his attractive  
uniform, had the flowers in his  
helmet, on his drumstick and on  
his chest.

This afternoon, two football  
matches will be played, it being a  
holiday.

The Privates, who supply most  
of the Battalion first eleven, are  
to play the Corporals; and the  
officers meet the sergeants.

## SHOT HIMSELF!

During revolver practice for the  
police at the range yesterday,  
an Indian constable accidentally  
sent a bullet into his own foot.

Sub-Inspector Booker who was  
in charge of the party had the  
injured constable sent to the Gov-  
ernment Civil Hospital.

0.01 inch. Total since January 1,  
20.06 inches, against an average  
of 10.04 inches.

Forecast until noon to-morrow:  
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| 杏  | "    | 22 | 24 | —  |
| 山棗 | "    | 5  | 4  | —  |
| 山棗 | "    | —  | 12 | —  |
| 椰  | each | 14 | 10 | 10 |
| 椰  | lb.  | 14 | 7  | —  |
| 山棗 | each | 32 | 25 | 8  |
| 山棗 | "    | 32 | 7  | 80 |
| 山棗 | "    | 22 | —  | —  |
| 山棗 | "    | 35 | —  | 15 |
| 山棗 | "    | 12 | —  | —  |
| 山棗 | "    | 14 | 10 | 12 |
| 山棗 | "    | —  | 12 | —  |
| 山棗 | "    | 8  | 8  | 4  |
| 山棗 | each | 16 | 12 | 6  |
| 山棗 | lb.  | 16 | —  | 15 |
| 山棗 | "    | —  | —  | —  |

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| ... 椰 | 子 | each | 14 | 10 | 10 |
| ... 椰 | 殼 | lb.  | 14 | 7  | —  |

Q. Now, you're going to tell me that the defendant was not in the car at the time of the shooting, is that correct?

|   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 瓜 | " | 8 | 5 | 0 |
| 清 | " | 8 | 5 | 0 |

|    |    |      |    |    |
|----|----|------|----|----|
| 紅芥 | 瓜菜 | 7    | 5  | 8  |
| 芥  | 菜  | 6    | 5  | 12 |
| 菜  | 菜  | 15   | 13 | 1  |
| 菜  | 菜  | —    | —  | 9  |
| 菜  | 菜  | each | —  | —  |

|      |    |   |   |   |
|------|----|---|---|---|
| 中藥榮花 | 12 | — | — | — |
| 細藥榮花 | 12 | — | — | — |

|       |     |    |    |    |
|-------|-----|----|----|----|
| 金塔辣紅青 | lb. | 6  | 6  | 6  |
| 奧椒花辣  | "   | 8  | 10 | 6  |
| 發菜干椒  | "   | 25 | 25 | 5  |
| 辣花辣   | "   | 20 | 10 | 16 |
| 辣     | "   | 10 | 8  | 12 |

|          |      |    |    |    |
|----------|------|----|----|----|
| ... 梨置材料 | "    | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| ... 蜜 瓜  | each | 4  | 2  | —  |

|     |      |    |    |   |    |
|-----|------|----|----|---|----|
| 腰蛋殼 | lb.  | 8  | 8  | — | 10 |
| 腰蛋殼 | "    | 8  | 7  | — | —  |
| 腰蛋殼 | "    | 10 | 10 | — | —  |
| 腰蛋殼 | "    | 25 | 8  | — | —  |
| 腰蛋殼 | each | 8  | 45 | — | 4  |
| 生馬草 | lb.  | 1  | 1  | — | —  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 12 | 6  | — | 6  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 10 | —  | — | 8  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 10 | —  | — | 8  |
| 生馬草 | "    | —  | 1  | — | 10 |
| 生馬草 | "    | 10 | 8  | — | 8  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 8  | 4  | — | 6  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 30 | 60 | — | 8  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 6  | 8  | — | —  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 6  | 8  | — | —  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 8  | 8  | — | 10 |
| 生馬草 | "    | 5  | 8  | — | —  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 15 | —  | — | 10 |
| 生馬草 | "    | 10 | 6  | — | —  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 10 | 4  | — | —  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 8  | 7  | — | —  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 8  | 6  | — | —  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 8  | —  | — | —  |
| 生馬草 | "    | 8  | 15 | — | —  |



## NEW JAIL WORK.

## POSTPONEMENT LEADS TO COMPENSATION.

## COUNCIL COMMENT.

The payment of compensation to contractors whose work was no longer required on account of the Government's economy campaign which entailed the abandonment of work of preparing for the proposed new jail at Ngau Shi-wan, led to comment in the Council yesterday.

The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird asked for a fuller explanation than was afforded in the footnote. He asked whether 25 per cent. of anticipated profits was not a lot to pay.

The Director of Public Works explained that the contract was \$400,000. The contractors expected to make a profit of \$52,000 and the compensation to be paid to them was 25 per cent. of that figure (\$13,000), 25 per cent. of the cost of plant specially purchased (\$1,600) and smaller items for wages, insurance, etc.

Hon. Mr. Bird: Has this ever come before the Finance Committee?

The Chairman: No; it was referred to the Law Officers of the Crown.

Hon. Mr. Kotewall expressed the opinion that it was reasonable compensation.

The Colonial Treasurer said the contractors expected to get 20 per cent. profit on their contract and they were being paid one-quarter of that as compensation.

## "Volunteer" Ponies.

The Colonial Secretary said there was a further message from M.E. The Governor relating to the provision of proper stabling accommodation for the Mounted Infantry Section of the Volunteer Corps. Ponies were suffering from the weather and it was suggested that a match should be built for them in the old Riding School site near the Polo Grounds. For that a vote of \$2,500 and 250 for extras was asked for.

The expenditure was approved.

## POSTAL MATTERS.

## ANOMALIES OF THE OLD LAWS.

## NEW BILL READ.

In moving at yesterday's Council meeting the first reading of the Bill amending the Post Office rules, the Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, gave examples of the points on which the Bill differed from the existing Ordinance.

Among these points was an interesting one demonstrating the anomalies of legal phraseology. The old Ordinance had read that "any person proposing to dispatch a vessel to some port out of the Colony shall give first intimation of the intended departure to the Postmaster-General." This, said Mr. Kemp, is in order that the Postmaster-General may arrange to dispatch mails by the vessel. All the section provides is for the "first intimation" to be given; it does not lay any obligation on the shipowner to notify anybody, and it is impossible for the Postmaster-General to enforce a penalty unless he is in a position to prove that intimation had been first given to some other persons. The new regulations provided in this respect, said Mr. Kemp, an example of improvement by way of addition.

The Attorney General also referred to the question of opening of letters by the Post Office for various reasons. At present there is no power, for example, in the Postmaster-General to open or return to the sender a letter which has been posted with the wrong contents. It frequently happens, I am told, said Mr. Kemp, that in the hurry of catching a mail letters are posted with the wrong contents or some of the contents omitted. There is no power to open or return such a letter without a warrant from the Governor and by the time a warrant can be issued the mails may have gone. Omissions of that kind are corrected in the Bill.

## HOUSE COLLAPSE.

## EXCITEMENT AT WANCHAI YESTERDAY.

## OLD HOUSES TO GO.

Some excitement was caused at Wanchai Road near the No. 2 Police Station at 3.30 p.m. yesterday when the roof and walls of house No. 99 collapsed and considerably weakened the walls of the last house adjoining it. Subsequently there was a further fall of masonry and the houses leaned over to the new building next to it.

There are half a dozen houses at this point consisting of a ground floor and upper floor in each case, the ground floors being used as shops and those above as dwellings. The houses were very old, and fearing danger those living on the floor where the collapse took place spent most of their time in a neighbouring house. Fortunately they were away when the collapse occurred.

A scramble by the inmates to secure their belongings took place immediately after the collapse and the police had to take charge of the situation and keep them out. After inspection by building officials the ground floors occupied by a grocer and electrical store were said to be highly dangerous and the inmates were cleared out, a police guard being placed to watch the property and keep the crowd at a safe distance.

Considerable shoring work was done during the night and barricades were erected. Supports were also being placed this morning inside a Chinese wine shop on the other side, the inmates of which will also have to go.

All the houses would have to be completely pulled down.

Rastus: Which am de most usefulest, Ebon, de sun or de moon?  
Ebon: Why, de moon ob course.  
Rastus: How come de moon?  
Ebon: Kase de moon, he shine in de night when we need de light, but de sun he shine in de day when light am ob no consequence.

## Strength.

The following are taken on the strength, as from April 15, 1926, and posted as under—

No. 1042 Pte. A. McArthur, No. 5 Platoon.

No. 1043 Pte. T. Addis, No. 7 Platoon.

## Leave.

The undermentioned N.C.O.s and Men are granted leave of absence from the Corps—

No. 288 Sergt. A. L. Terry, Engineer Company from May 1, 1926 to January 31, 1927.

No. 267 Sergt. A. Hutton-Potts, M. I. Company from April 15, 1926 to May 25, 1926.

No. 124 Corp. C. Young, No. 5 Platoon from April 25, 1926 to January 25, 1927.

No. 520 Corp. A. Ritchie, No. 7 Platoon from May 1, 1926 to April 30, 1927.

No. 861 Pte. T. N. MacReynolds, Res. Company from April 23, 1926 to January 22, 1927.

No. 982 Pte. E. de Silva, No. 4 Platoon from April 20, 1926 to May 19, 1926.

No. 481 Pte. I. W. Shewan, Armoured Car Company, rejoined from leave on March 3, 1926.

## Resignation.

No. 586 Pte. N. M. Campbell, No. 5 Platoon is permitted to resign from the Corps, as from April 17, 1926.

## Struck Off.

The following are struck off the strength, as from April 20, 1926.

No. 405 Pte. A. E. Farrell, Mounted Infantry Company.

No. 320 Cpl. L. R. Blacking, Armoured Car Company.

No. 315 Piper E. H. R. O'Farrell, Scottish Company.

G. E. SWINTON, Capt., Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

## Smoking Concert.

His Excellency Major General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G. has kindly consented to attend and present the Prizes on Friday, May 7 at 9.15 p.m.

It is hoped that O. C. Companies and Platoon Commanders will combine to ensure a good attendance. Tickets price \$2 (including refreshments) can now be obtained at Volunteer Headquarters.

## V.R.C. Sports.

The Corps has entered a team for the Relay Race and a team for the Tag-of-War (Catch weights). The Sports will take place on Saturday, May 8 and all members willing to take part should send in their names immediately to 2/Lieut. H. Owen-Hughes care of Harry Wicking and Co. Prince's Buildings.

There will be a Tag practice at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday, April 26 at 5.30 p.m. and members should turn up in boots and sweaters.

## PRISON SCANDAL.

## ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO COERCE FOREIGNERS.

## NOTE TO NEWSPAPER.

Tsingtao, April 7.

A chance note which three prisoners in the local police station managed to have delivered yesterday to the office of the Tsingtao "Times" revealed what may result in the discovery of imprisonment of foreigners in the Shantung army. The foreign community here is greatly exercised over what appears to be coercion to foreign subjects to join the Fengtien army.

The note was pencilled and signed by Gunnar Josefson (Swedish), S. Bozalla (Polish), and M. Sakalofsky (Polish). They explained that they were detained at the police station for no apparent reason and were receiving nothing to eat.

Members of the Tsingtao "Times" staff investigated and at first the only foreign prisoners they could find were two Russians, held for embezzlement at the prison. Their condition was found to be not bad. It was evident that they were not the men sought and so the inquiry was carried further. At the central station inquiries were made and the Chief of Police admitted that a Swedish subject was lodged there. He said that inasmuch as this man, who proved to be Josefson, was Swedish he enjoyed extraterritorial rights. Therefore they kept him in a cell at the police station instead of taking him to the prison.

The police official granted the visitors' request to see the prisoner. He denied that there were any other foreign prisoners in the station.

The investigators then studied the board where wooden tabs are kept with characters denoting the names of prisoners. Two of these read Sa-ka-off-sky and Yeh-ah-la, with additional characters stating they were "Russians." The one name agreed perfectly with one of the signatures to the note. The other had something in common with another.

## The Prisoners Found.

Josefson was brought in and proved to be a Swedish seaman, 33 years of age, speaking English with an accent. He told of an assault charge brought against him, which may or may not have been justified. No report of the case had been filed with the nearest Swedish consul.

The request was then made to see the "Russian" prisoners. The investigators were conducted back to the police chief. He then "remembered" having two "Russian" prisoners who had been placed there by one Captain Wille, a Russian attached to Tupan Chang Chung-hang's staff, concurrently a member of the Tsingtao Inspectorate.

The visitors asked for an interview with the prisoners, but were refused. The police chief said he had no authority to allow any one to see them. Permission must come from Captain Wille. It was at once obvious that strict secrecy prevailed in their case.

Josefson was sought again and told the reporters that the two other foreigners held were Poles who had refused to join the Russian brigade in the Fengtien army and they had tried repeatedly to dodge their captors.

The callers then pointed out to the police chief that the two Polish prisoners also enjoyed extraterritorial rights and were being unlawfully detained. The police chief declared he was ignorant of the fact that they were Poles and he would continue to hold them until they were freed by order of the Russian officer.

All the particulars are being forwarded to the diplomatic representatives of the imprisoned trio. The entire affair will also be laid before the Judicial Investigation Commission.—Reuter.

## ANTI-COMMUNISM.

## ANOTHER ASSOCIATION IN SHANGHAI.

The Citizens' Diplomatic Co-operative Society came into existence on April 11, at a meeting held at the Palais Cafe, Shanghai reports the local "Times."

Among those present were Messrs. Chang Ping-ling, a noted writer, Mo Siang-pai, a Roman Catholic priest, and General Hwang Dah-wei, prominent member of the right wing of the conservative party, who made speeches denouncing Communism and pointing out the evils threatening China through Communism.

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## COLONEL WILLIAMS.

## ACCUSED OF DRUNKENNESS.

## GENERAL BUTLER TESTIFIES.

San Diego, Calif., April 15.—

Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler, United States Marine Corps, testified to-day in the court-martial of Colonel Alexander S. Williams, who is charged with drunkenness. General Butler denied that he attempted to browbeat subordinate officers into testifying against the Colonel whom he charged with drunkenness, but he admitted that he called Captain Clifton E. Cates and other officers before him and roughly upbraided them for equivocating statements which they submitted to him on the Coronado cocktail affair. General Butler said Captain Cates told him Colonel Williams was drunk and he said Captain Cates admitted that he also had been drinking.

General Butler said he told them they were a lot of boys running around in circles and that he advised them to tell the truth or they would get into trouble. General Butler banged the table with his fist, saying "I wanted no lies from them. I wanted the truth and I meant that."

Previous to General Butler's testimony, Lieutenant Jonathan E. Henry, surgeon, testified that Colonel Williams was sick on the night that it was alleged that he was drunk and that he had been regularly taking medicine which sometimes caused sickness at the stomach and vomiting. He said he had treated Colonel Williams for internal disorders since January and that he was still under his care for gastric trouble.

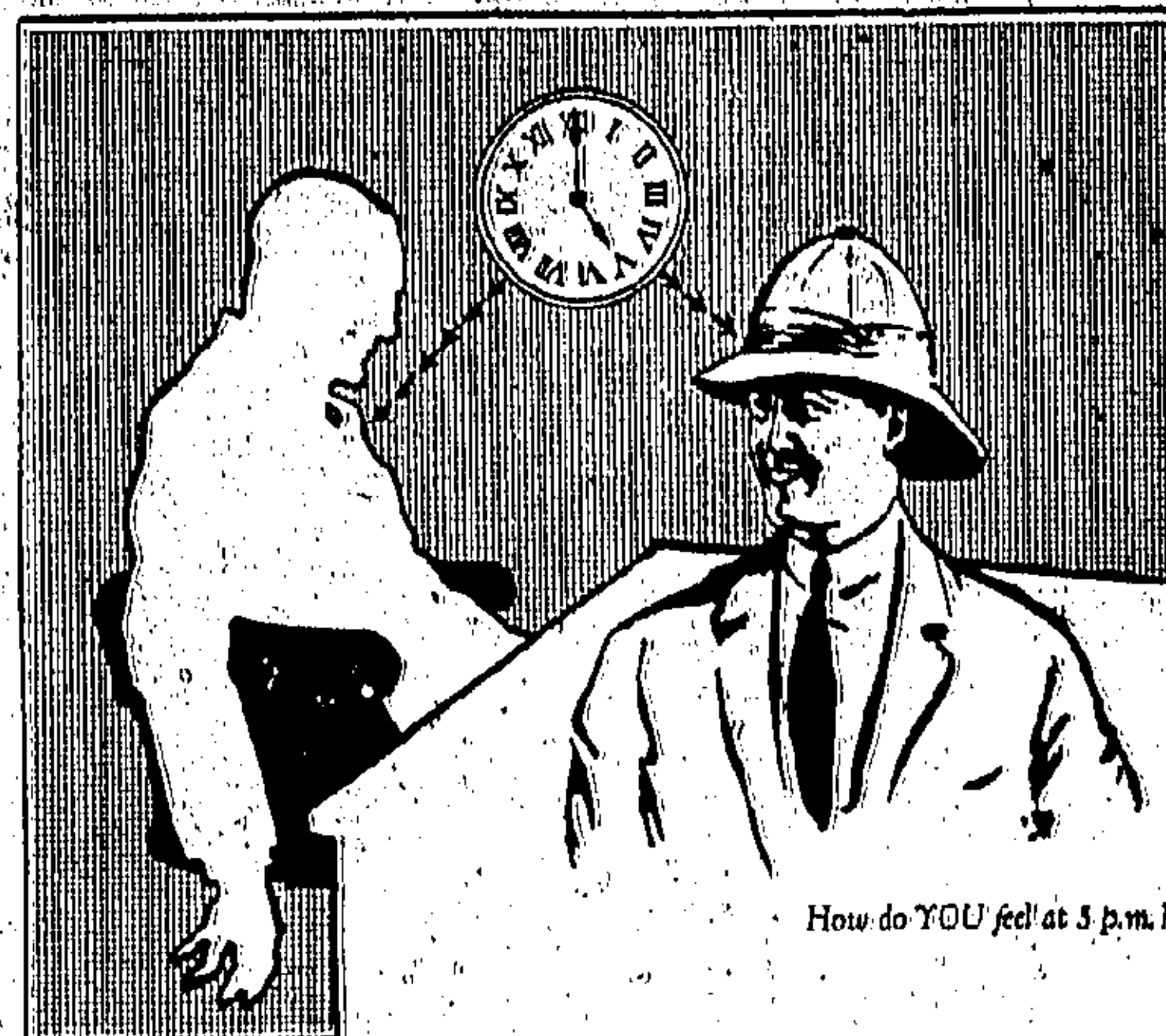
Commander E. C. White, surgeon at the naval hospital at Balboa Park testified that General Butler was nervous and easily excited. He said General Butler was poorly out of his left eye when he was examined by him on March 15. Commander White said that General Butler was suffering from nervous exhaustion because of the two strenuous years as director of public safety in Philadelphia, and the absorption of toxins from diseased teeth.

Lieutenant Commander Harold Willett, surgeon, was the first witness for the defence. He stated that he saw and spoke to Colonel Williams on the night of March 1, and that he did not smell liquor on his breath. The witness said that Colonel Williams' eyes were normal, that he did not stagger when he left with Mrs. Williams and two officers, and there was nothing to indicate that he was intoxicated.—Associated Press.

## ROYAL NAVY HELP.

By the courtesy of the Naval Commander-in-Chief, arrangements were made at the close of last year for all cruisers, submarine depot ships and sloops on the China station, whilst away from Hongkong, at sea or in harbour, to make meteorological observations at 6 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. (Hongkong standard time) and transmit them to Hongkong; also for gun-boats on the Yangtze and West River to make and transmit observations at 6 a.m. daily, says the local Observatory's annual report.

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Hsuehchowfu, April 8.

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It is learned that an enclosure of 800 acres has been recently made for the erection of such camps, and it is expected that the work will be accomplished in four months' time.—"Kuo Wen News Agency."

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## VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Engineer Company.  
No. 4 (Light Section), will parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday, April 26 at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Mufti.

M. I. and A. C. Companies.  
Musketry Course Part I will be fired at Peak Range on Sunday, April 25, 1926.

All members who have not yet fired this course are warned to keep this date free and attend. Failure to fire Part I Musketry Course involves inefficiency, and this is the last opportunity for the above Companies.

Range Officer: Captain W. Brackenridge, M.C.

All those living on the Peak must assemble on the range at 9 a.m. sharp, others must catch the 9 a.m. tram to the Peak.

Dress: Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets, belts and pouches must be taken.

Arms: Will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, April 23, between 9 a.m. and noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, April 24, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Armoured Car Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, April 26 at 5.30 p.m. General Instruction.

(a) Vickers Gun, under C.S.M. J. E. Hancock.

(b) Drivers under Sergeant D. G. Bruce.

(c) Miniature Range Practice.

King's Birthday Parade.  
The Infantry Company have been selected to furnish the Corps detachment for this parade on Thursday, June 3.

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BORNEO MARU. Tuesday, 4th May.

HEIMEL MARU. Thursday, 20th May.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-EL-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

CHICAGO MARU. Wednesday, 12th May.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

SEATTLE MARU. Sunday, 25th April.

SANUKI MARU. Tuesday, 25th May.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, PACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Singapore and Japan Ports.

ARIZONA MARU (From Shanghai). Thursday, 6th May.

NEW YORK—Via Japan port, San Francisco and Panama.

HAGUE MARU (From Keelung). Monday, 10th May.

JAPAN PORTS.

CELEBES MARU. Friday, 14th May.

KLAS MARU. Friday, 14th May.

KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.

HOZAN MARU. Sunday, 25th April, at Noon.

KAIJO MARU. Sunday, 2nd May noon.

TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

KOTSU MARU. Wednesday, 5th May 10 a.m.

TAKAO and KEELUNG.

GANGES MARU. Sunday, 23rd May.

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The Moscow State Ballet, at present performing in Shanghai, will pay Hongkong a visit next week. We are informed that the Company will open at the Queen's Theatre on Thursday next.

We publish below a critique which appeared in the "North China Daily News" under the caption of "Russian Ballet at the Carlton. Superb Exhibition".

Why these people have never visited Shanghai before, why they have now apparently come for a comparatively short visit, are questions which everyone who saw them last night must be asking, and no answer to be found. Saving Pavlova, who lives in a world of her own, we have had nothing to approach the Moscow State Ballet. There are really no words to describe the grace of their movements, the swift precise movement from one wonderful pose to another, the artistic conception of each scene, the exquisite lightness and flowing suppleness of their limbs. It is really an unforgettable display. It is two hours of genuine pleasure such as one rarely has.

PENANG WHARVES.

STRONG CRITICISM AT CHAMBER MEETING.

The "Straits Times" correspondent at Penang under date April 13 writes:

Presiding at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. R. N. Holmes reviewed the activities of the year, touching on the tin and rubber industries.

He condemned the local telephone system and stated that the conditions ruling at the Harbour Board were a disgrace to the port. The question was one of the utmost import to merchants and he would recommend to the incoming committee to give their attention to it.

Chaos at the Wharf.

The wharf was in a state of chaos. There was a shortage of lighters and accommodation, ocean steamers were delayed and it was with the greatest difficulty that delivery of goods could be obtained.

Some time ago a commission sat under the direction of the Hon. Mr. Pountney to consider what was the best way to develop the harbour. He understood that the decisions of the commission had been reduced to writing, but so far as he knew a report had not been issued or immediate action taken.

"Driving Trade Away."

If the present conditions continued, stated the chairman, trade would be driven away from the port and probably would never come back.

He considered the time had come for the Chamber to be allowed to nominate members to sit on the Harbour Board and keeping Penang merchants in touch with the proceedings. He submitted the suggestion to the incoming committee.

The Hon. Mr. James Sellar spoke with regard to the Merchandise Ordinance and the creation of an Opium Reserve Fund. He stated that amendments to the Ordinance would shortly be introduced in the Legislative Council.

Railway Criticised.

Mr. J. A. Milne referred to the delays and congestion on the F.M.S. Railways, and also to the action taken by the Chamber in this respect. He said that the Railway administration might have difficulties to contend with, of which they did not take the Chamber into confidence, but the fact remained that the Chamber was unable to offer members a single shred of assurance that the difficulties under which the F.M.S.R. laboured were even in process of removal.

The report was adopted and the following officers were elected:—Chairman, Mr. G. A. Fotts; Vice-Chairman, Mr. L. E. Slowe; Committee, Messrs. H. O. Maas, A. W. Blackstone, F. S. Gibson, D. L. Adamson and H. S. Russell.

BITES AND PINES.

Among yesterday's dog attacks, a Chinese was bitten at Praya East by a Japanese-owned dog and an Arab paying a visit at Kennedy Road was attacked by a dog belonging to the house. A further case was provided by a dog belonging to Mr. H. K. Holmes which bit a Chinese woman at Bowen Road. All the animals were sent to Kennedy Town.

Several cases for failure to comply with the muzzling law were heard by the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The majority of them being met by fines of \$5. One case more serious than the rest, was that in which after repeated warnings a dog was allowed to roam about in the streets without a muzzle. The owner was fined \$5.

**OBITUARY.**

A PROMINENT BANGKOK RUGBY FOOTBALLER.

MR. T. R. JENKINS.

The death occurred on April 14, with tragic suddenness of Mr. T. R. Jenkins, schoolmaster under the Education Department. He underwent an operation and after it had been performed died of heart failure.

He was 39 years of age and came out to Bangkok 13 years ago. He was an outstanding Rugby player and did much for games in Bangkok. The funeral took place on April 15, and was largely attended.—"Straits Times."

**PASSENGER LIST.**

DEPARTURES.

List of passengers departed by s.s. "Empress of Asia" on April 22:—

Mr. G. A. Abardanon, Mr. and Mrs. H. Birkett, Miss E. T. Birkett, Mr. and Mrs. Fausto Bayot and son, Mr. and Mrs. A. Crumpton, Mrs. B. Dod, Dr. I. C. C. Donelin, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. van Embden, Mr. and Mrs. B. Macario and child, Mrs. A. L. Macleod and child, Mrs. D. C. Miller, Col. E. V. Riddell, Mr. V. A. Rozario and sons, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Valladolid and son, Mr. Wong Kok-shan, and Mrs. A. W. Yates.

List of passengers departed by s.s. "Aki Maru" on April 21:—

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Barnes, Mr. R. Manning, Mr. K. Abe, Mr. M. Ozawa, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dovey, Mr. Bennett, Mr. T. Nishizawa, Miss C. Nagai, Miss G. Gutierrez, Mrs. T. Kikuchi, Mr. T. Takemoto, Mr. K. Ohta, Mr. B. Konishi, Mr. S. Inaoka, Mr. H. Tolerton, Mr. J. Nobran, Mr. H. Chamberlain, Mr. M. Celaya, Mr. M. Smith, Messrs. Morris (3), Mrs. Morris, Mrs. K. Minagawa, Mrs. R. Shiojima, Mrs. T. Kakemoto, Mr. A. Kobashikawa, Mr. N. Ishikawa, Mr. H. Hoshino, and Mr. Y. Nakata.

List of passengers departed by s.s. "Shinyo Maru" on April 21:—

Mr. and Mrs. Vandertas, Mr. Low Couch, Miss M. G. Moore, Mr. R. Yoshioaka, Mr. and Mrs. Kwok Hin-wang, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Butterworth, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. B. Silva and child, Dr. and Mrs. S. C. Chan, Mr. and Mrs. G. Stoney, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Yung, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Vandertas, Mr. and Mrs. Dunning, and child, Mr. and Mrs. Twissel, Mr. J. Hutchinson, Dr. W. L. Uglow, Mr. Gillares, Mr. and Mrs. Leong Tse-kwong, Mr. Miyabara, Mr. R. R. Parker, Mrs. M. Miyata, Mr. Quong Chung-yu, Mr. Chu Gim-lim, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Miyake, Mrs. F. Asbridge, Mr. Wang Loh-ting, Mr. Wan Chun, Mr. and Mrs. Ip Shin-chow, Miss Gladys Koo, Rev. L. Borlack, Mr. E. Stendrup-Jensen, Mrs. C. H. Perkins and two children, Mr. L. O. Stubbs, Mrs. L. Borlack, Master N. Borlack, Master C. Borlack, Master V. Borlack, and Miss Dora Schillan.

Per Admiral Oriental liner "President McKinley" for Seattle via ports, on April 22:—Lt. L. C. Avery, Mr. W. E. Antrim, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bunning, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Cooper, Mrs. E. Cook, Mrs. J. B. Daniels and child, Mr. Edward Farrell, Mr. S. Hart, Mrs. G. G. Hithcock, Mrs. E. Hoyman, Lt. John Haas, Mrs. M. Krueger, Mrs. A. Keck, Mrs. C. Moore, Mrs. D. L. McCrea, Miss E. Mitchell, Mrs. M. Madden, Col. and Mrs. J. P. Robinson and two children, Mrs. M. M. Spright, Mrs. H. J. Scholtes, Mrs. R. G. Tobin and son, Mrs. V. B. Vann, Miss V. M. Vann, Mrs. M. C. Vickery, Mr. A. E. Clegg, Mr. J. A. Cameron, Miss R. Dawson, Mr. V. San Agustin, Miss L. F. Stackpole, Dr. A. Baptista, Mr. N. Capistrano, Mrs. C. F. Doyen, Mr. J. H. Delyens, Mr. J. Escaler, Lt. R. P. Erdman, Mr. C. N. Ferrier, Mr. Irwin Fegley, Lt. J. Fawcett, Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Jay and child, Misses Johnson (2), Lt. and Mrs. F. L. Johnston, Mr. L. Lewick, Mr. P. G. Matzone, Lt. and Mrs. G. H. K. Miller, Miss J. K. Miller, Miss C. Maps, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McKellar, Lt. and Mrs. H. A. Miller and child, Mrs. R. O. F.

Mann, Dr. M. P. Mendoza, Miss G. Mendoza, Lt. and Mrs. F. W. McMahon, Lt. C. Noble, Lt. and Mrs. E. Poole, Lt. and Mrs. W. J. Pennell, Mr. H. P. Pullian, Mrs. J. A. Frida, Mr. T. Del Rosario, Mrs. M. S. Roberts, Judge Jose A. Santos, Lt. and Mrs. L. I. Smith, Mrs. T. de Silos, Mr. J. M. Santiago, Mrs. E. C. Unjeng, Mr. J. Vandenberg, Mr. J. C. Vonk, Mr. A. Morrison, Mr. E. A. Patterson, Mr. H. A. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Tan, Mr. T. Troller, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Pratt, Miss R. Pratt, Miss Richards, Mrs. H. Dalton, Mrs. J. M. Sheel, Miss Sue N. Wilkins, Mr. Ho Chew, Mr. Chung Nam-mang, Mr. R. J. Hall, Mr. F. W. Gibbins, Mr. P. C. Lee, Mrs. L. R. Castellan, Bishop A. R. Clippinger, Rev. S. G. Zeigler, Mr. and Mrs. Y. T. Lee, Mr. Chung Woy, Mr. W. E. van Epps, Mr. Pang Shu-ming, Mr. J. Nahas, Mr. M. A. Schlesinger, Mr. P. M. Moon, Mr. Jeu Ming-mun, Mr. Jew, Hon. Mrs. Sid Shea, Mr. Lee Lum, Mr. Yee Fook-loy, Mr. Yee Ching-woi, Mr. Wong Chung, Mr. Moy Nie-sing, Miss E. Whitrow, Mr. O. G. Scheid, Mrs. Green and Mr. W. D. Ross.

**LOCAL SHIPPING.**

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND CLEARANCES.

THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following sea-going arrivals at Hongkong were reported:—

"Taima" (6154), Br., from Calcutta, Singapore; P. and O.  
 "Haining" (892), Br., from Foochow, Swatow; Douglas Co.  
 "Laisang" (2224), Br., from Calcutta, Singapore; J. M. Co.  
 "Tonkin" (846), Fr., from Haiphong; M. M.  
 "Elkridge" (4725), Am., from San Francisco, Woosung; Struthers and Barry.  
 "President Pierce" (8893), Am., from Manila; Dollar Line.  
 "Tajima Maru" (4273), Jap., from Hamburg, Singapore; N. Y. K.  
 "Hakusan Maru" (6271), Jap., from Yokohama, Shanghai; N. Y. K.  
 "Phranang" (1022), Chinese, from Haiphong; Chau Yue-teng.

Departures.

For Hongkong:—"Shansi."  
 For Shanghai:—"Tajima Maru."  
 For Nagasaki:—"Mishima Maru."  
 For Haiphong:—"Philadelphia."  
 For Ningpo:—"Luchow."  
 For Muntok:—"Tjondari."  
 For Manila:—"Empress of Asia."  
 For Kwong-chow-wan:—"Taisema," "Sun Kong."  
 For Swatow:—"Kotsu Maru."  
 For Takao:—"Batavia Maru."

**MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.**

The B. L. s.s. "Benrooch" from Hull, Middlesbrough, Rotterdam, Antwerp and London left Singapore, for this port yesterday and is due to arrive here on April 27.

Foreign nobleman to the official starter at St. Andrews: Just a moment, my good man. My name is Count Schenzli, and I have selected nine o'clock to-morrow morning as my starting time.

The Scotsman took no notice and went on assigning names and starting times.

The count demanded: Did you hear what I said? I'm Count Schenzli.

"Aye," said the Scot, "I hear ye. Ye are starting to-morrow at twelve o'clock, and ye'll answer to the name of Ferguson."

Mann, Dr. M. P. Mendoza, Miss G. Mendoza, Lt. and Mrs. F. W. McMahon, Lt. C. Noble, Lt. and Mrs. E. Poole, Lt. and Mrs. W. J. Pennell, Mr. H. P. Pullian, Mrs. J. A. Frida, Mr. T. Del Rosario, Mrs. M. S. Roberts, Judge Jose A. Santos, Lt. and Mrs. L. I. Smith, Mrs. T. de Silos, Mr. J. M. Santiago, Mrs. E. C. Unjeng, Mr. J. Vandenberg, Mr. J. C. Vonk, Mr. A. Morrison, Mr. E. A. Patterson, Mr. H. A. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Tan, Mr. T. Troller, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Pratt, Miss R. Pratt, Miss Richards, Mrs. H. Dalton, Mrs. J. M. Sheel, Miss Sue N. Wilkins, Mr. Ho Chew, Mr. Chung Nam-mang, Mr. R. J. Hall, Mr. F. W. Gibbins, Mr. P. C. Lee, Mrs. L. R. Castellan, Bishop A. R. Clippinger, Rev. S. G. Zeigler, Mr. and Mrs. Y. T. Lee, Mr. Chung Woy, Mr. W. E. van Epps, Mr. Pang Shu-ming, Mr. J. Nahas, Mr. M. A. Schlesinger, Mr. P. M. Moon, Mr. Jeu Ming-mun, Mr. Jew, Hon. Mrs. Sid Shea, Mr. Lee Lum, Mr. Yee Fook-loy, Mr. Yee Ching-woi, Mr. Wong Chung, Mr. Moy Nie-sing, Miss E. Whitrow, Mr. O. G. Scheid, Mrs. Green and Mr. W. D. Ross.

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| Empress of Asia      | Apr. 30  | May 3    | May 6    | May 8    | May 17    |
| Empress of Canada    | May 14   | May 17   | May 20   | May 22   | May 31    |
| Empress of Russia    | May 28   | May 31   | June 3   | June 5   | June 14   |
| Empress of Australia | June 11  | June 14  | June 16  | June 19  | June 30   |
| Empress of Asia      | June 24  | June 27  | June 30  | July 3   | July 12   |
| Empress of Canada    | July 9   | July 12  | July 14  | July 17  | July 26   |
| Empress of Russia    | July 22  | July 25  | July 28  | July 31  | Aug. 9    |
| Empress of Australia | Aug. 6   | Aug. 9   | Aug. 11  | Aug. 14  | Aug. 23   |
| Empress of Asia      | Aug. 19  | Aug. 22  | Aug. 25  | Aug. 28  | Sept. 6   |
| Empress of Canada    | Sept. 3  | Sept. 5  | Sept. 8  | Sept. 11 | Sept. 20  |
| Empress of Russia    | Sept. 10 | Sept. 13 | Sept. 16 | Sept. 19 | Oct. 4    |

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| "ALIPHON"  | 5,273  | 27th April                  | Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay |
| "MAEDONIA" | 11,089 | 1st May                     | Marseilles & London                |
| "KASHGAR"  | 8,006  | 15th May                    | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "PILGRIM"  | 7,748  | 22nd May                    | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "MALWA"    | 10,941 | 29th May                    | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "MURZAPUR" | 8,716  | 3rd June                    | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "KAYBER"   | 9,174  | 10th June                   | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "MAINTUA"  | 10,941 | 17th June                   | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "KARMAIA"  | 8,138  | 24th June                   | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "RANPUJA"  | 10,941 | 1st July                    | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "DELTA"    | 8,497  | 8th July                    | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "MAEDONIA" | 11,089 | 15th July                   | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "KALYAN"   | 9,144  | 22nd July                   | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "MALWA"    | 10,941 | 29th July                   | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "ASHGAR"   | 8,006  | 5th Aug.                    | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |

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| "TILAWA"  | 10,000 | 7th April                   | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta. |
| "SANTHIA" | 7,748  | 14th April                  | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta. |
| "TALAMBA" | 8,018  | 21st April                  | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta. |
| "TALMA"   | 10,000 | 28th April                  | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta. |
| "SHIRALA" | 8,018  | 5th May                     | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta. |

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| S. S.        | Tons  | From<br>HONGKONG<br>(ABOUT) | DESTINATION                  |
|--------------|-------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| "ST. ALBANS" | 4,600 | 4th May                     | Madras, Kolumbugam, Sandakan |
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|------------|--------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| "TALMA"    | 10,000 | 24th April                  | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
| "GAMBHIRA" | 5,307  | 27th April                  | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
| "KASHGAR"  | 8,006  | 30th April                  | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
| "PILGRIM"  | 7,748  | 3rd May                     | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
| "MALWA"    | 10,941 | 6th May                     | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
| "MURZAPUR" | 8,716  | 9th May                     | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
| "KAYBER"   | 9,174  | 12th May                    | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
| "MAINTUA"  | 10,941 | 15th May                    | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
| "KARMAIA"  | 8,138  | 18th May                    | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
| "RANPUJA"  | 10,941 | 21st May                    | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, |
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May 18.-J.C.J.L. Tiliwang

FROM AMOY.

Apr. 25.-B.I. Tiliwang

FROM SHANGHAI.

Apr. 24.-N.Y.K. Genoa Maru

24.-O.N. Sushow

25.-A.O.L. Pres. Jefferson

26.-S. Line Pres. Hayes

27.-B.I. Sado Maru

28.-S. Line Pres. Taft

May 3.-J.C.J.L. Tiliwang

4.-C.P.S. Empress of Canada

10.-J.C.J.L. Tiliwang

FROM SINGAPORE.

Apr. 25.-P. &amp; O. Gambhir

27.-I.O.S.N. Suisang

27.-B.I. Atreus

28.-B.I. Antenor

29.-B.I. Rurybates

30.-B.I. Tiliwang

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34.-B.I. Phenius

35.-B.I. Tydens

36.-B.I. Antenor

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FROM MANILA.

Apr. 27.-C.P.S. Empress of Asia

May 3.-A.O.L. Pres. Jefferson

7.-S. Line Pres. Taft

11.-P.S. Empress of Canada

15.-O.L. Pres. Grant

19.-A.S. Tiliwang

23.-A.O.L. Pres. Wilson

27.-A.O.L. Pres. Lincoln

31.-A.O.L. Pres. Jackson

35.-A.O.L. Pres. Cleveland

FROM CALCUTTA.

Apr. 26.-B.I. Shirala

May 17.-B.I. Shirala

FROM JAPAN.

Apr. 24.-N.Y.K. Genoa Maru

25.-N.Y.K. Osaka Maru

26.-A.O.L. Pres. Jefferson

28.-S. Line Pres. Hayes

29.-N.Y.K. Sado Maru

30.-J.C.J.L. Tiliwang

31.-S. Line Pres. Taft

May 3.-J.C.J.L. Tiliwang

4.-C.P.S. Empress of Canada

FROM SYDNEY &amp; MELBOURNE.

May 7.-E. &amp; A. Tandi

13.-E. &amp; A. Tandi

19.-E. &amp; A. Tandi

25.-E. &amp; A. Tandi

31.-E. &amp; A. Tandi

FROM SEATTLE &amp; VANCOUVER.

Apr. 25.-A.O.L. Pres. Jefferson

27.-B.I. Tyndarus

May 7.-A.O.L. Pres. Grant

13.-A.O.L. Pres. Madison

19.-A.O.L. Pres. Hayes

25.-A.O.L. Pres. Taft

31.-A.O.L. Pres. Lincoln

FROM SOUTH AMERICA.

Apr. 21.-N.Y.K. Empress of Asia

May 12.-N.Y.K. Empress of Asia

FROM NEW YORK.

(Via Panama.)

Apr. 23.-N.Y.K. Taniyama Maru

(Via Suez.)

Apr. 26.-S. Line Pres. Hayes

28.-S. Line Pres. Taft

30.-S. Line Pres. Adams

May 2.-S. Line Pres. Garfield

7.-S. Line Pres. Monroe

12.-S. Line Pres. Harrison

FROM LONDON.

Apr. 29.-G.L. Glenbeg

May 6.-P. &amp; O. Khyber

13.-P. &amp; O. Malwa

20.-P. &amp; O. Glensada

27.-P. &amp; O. Malwa

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41.-P. &amp; O. Malwa

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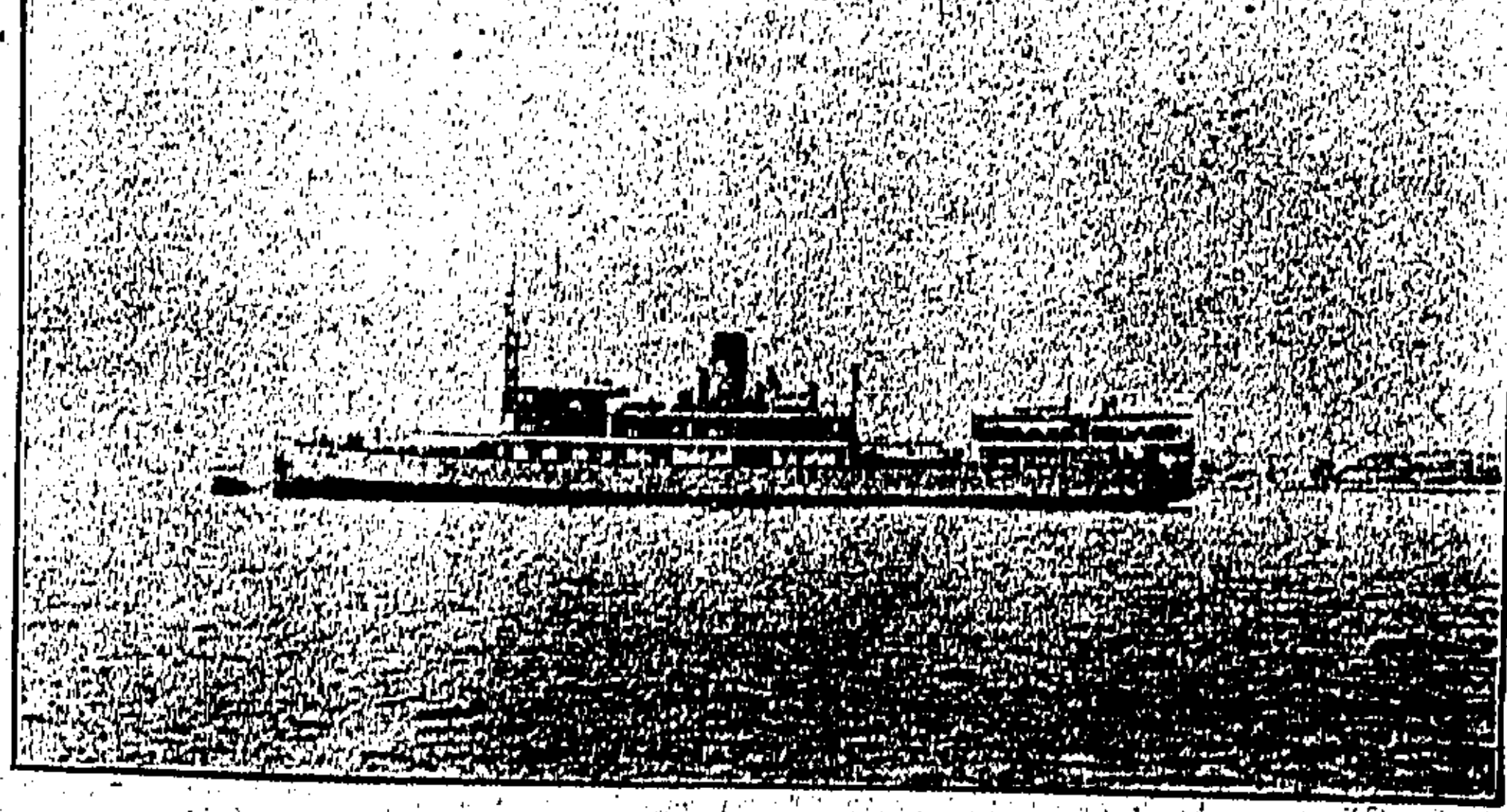
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### BIRTH.

LAVILLE. — At Batu Gajah, Perak, on April 11, 1926, to the wife of L. V. J. Laville Esq., Malayan Civil Service, a daughter.

### MARRIAGE.

NUNES-REUTENS. — Arthur Henry, eldest son of the late Henry Nunes of the Singapore Municipality, and Eugenie Emily Holmeberg Nunes of 2, Race Course Lane at the Church of St. Joseph, Kuching, at 7 a.m. on April 5, 1926, to Mabel Veronica, second daughter of Joseph P. Reutens, retired accountant of the Sarawak Government and the late Maria Teresa Reutens of Shanghai.

### DEATHS.

DARBY. — At Maur, on April 7, from cerebral haemorrhage, Frederic John D'Esterra-Darby, in his 45th year.

KIRBY. — On April 12, at the European Hospital, Kuala Lumpur, Maurice H. Kirby, of the F.M.S. Posts and Telegraphs Department.

Hongkong, Friday, April 23, 1926.

### WHERE THE MONEY GOES.

In a recent article dealing with financial votes passed by the Legislative Council, after a certain degree of demur by the Unofficial members, it was pointed out in effect that so long as the Colony had no Financial Adviser an improvement in finance could not be expected. There is an official, it is true, who combines the offices of Colonial Treasurer, Assessor of Rates, Collector of Stamp Revenue, and Estate Duty Commissioner; but he would probably be the first to disclaim to be the financial peer of, say, Sir C. J. Rivett-Carnac or Mr. W. J. F. Williamson, both of whom in the capacity of Financial Adviser did so much in their respective times to consolidate the finances of Siam. The present Colonial Treasurer, in the first place, has not the powers of a Financial Adviser, whilst he has suffered the fate of his predecessors in the same post by being engaged in half a dozen different departments before securing the substantive appointment of Colonial Treasurer. From 1908 to 1912 (inclusive of a period of Home leave) he was Postmaster-General and Acting Colonial Treasurer. In 1913 he was appointed Captain

Superintendent of Police and it was not till 1917 that he was given the additional duties of Acting Colonial Treasurer. At long last, in December, 1918, he was appointed and has since held the office of Colonial Treasurer. That he may have made good in the best sense of the word is not questioned under the circumstances governing this coveted post. It may not be due to any sins of omission or commission on his part that these financial votes invariably evoke criticism by the Unofficial members of the Council.

To mention only one item in the long list of votes passed yesterday, criticism was certainly justified of the request for \$80,000 for buildings and furniture, \$16,500 for site, and \$2,000 for an ex gratia payment to the contractors in connection with the new Kowloon Hospital. Sir Henry Pollock pointed out that the original estimate was \$604,000 in 1922, and the most important reason for the estimate being exceeded was a decision to lower the level of the site, which involved the removal of additional material at a cost of \$282,000. This decision incidentally led to the contractors' losses in the typhoon of August 23, 1923, as even the Director of Public Works admitted that the contractors would have finished their work in contract time if it had not been for the change in the level of the site and the inclusion of extra works. No wonder he advocated a vote of \$2,000 to the contractors as an "act of grace!"

Again, a vote of \$10,966 was asked to make good a shortage of coal stored at the Government coal yard at Blackhead's Point in 1925. Although the coal had been placed under the supervision of a private firm it had been decided that no claim against that firm could be established, and so the value of the shortage was written off. Another dip into the Colonial Treasurer's exchequer!

Another change of front is revealed in respect of a small sum of \$123 for postmen. Some of these deserted in June last year, a certain privilege was withdrawn on their rejoining, and now that decision has been reversed (after a period of satisfactory service), and hence another breach is made in the 1926 Estimates. Other items could be detailed, all being excused on the grounds that they could not be foreseen or that there had been oversights or discrepancies or two great reductions in the original estimates. All point to the fact that the Colonial Treasury's Department must be working under great and almost needless difficulties occasioned by the lack of proper functioning of other Departments in the important matter of finance. These supplemental votes have long proved a bone of contention, and whilst it is recognised that some are quite unavoidable, it cannot be claimed that others could not have been foreseen in the framing of the original Estimates. If any improvement is to be expected it is apparently only to be found in the appointment of a Financial Adviser, accountable only to the Governor-in-Council.

### ABOUT ST. GEORGE.

April 23rd has a claim which should protect it from oblivion, for it was on a St. George's Day that William Shakespeare was born and on another St. George's Day, 52 years later he died all too soon. But to-day St. George "has it." There is good reason to believe in the saint, although in this enlightened age the story of the fight with a dragon must, sad to relate, be relegated to the limbo of the fable. England's hero, who is said to have been a patriotic soldier, was born towards the close of the third century in Palestine at Lydda, of which city his father was Governor. When a mere lad, England's future patron saint entered the army, soon being raised to the rank of tribune. There is little doubt that he served under Galerius in the Persian War. After that he removed to Beirut, although the story that he was sent to England by Diocletian, is, unfortunately, no more than a tradition. It was at Beirut that the famous fight with the dragon took place, and, according to one authority, the well is still shown into which the monster was cast; also the spot where the hero washed his hands after the encounter. It was St. George's conversion to Christianity which ultimately cost him his life. Refusing to make sacrifices to the gods, he was beheaded on a Good Friday, after a week of cruel tortures. Such are the main facts as related by Eusebius concerning St. George of Lydda, and, although they lack corroborative evidence, there seems little out of the ordinary, excepting, of course, the dragon episode, to make them seem beyond belief. The cult of St. George, so far as England is concerned seems to have originated in the Crusades. In the early history of England the number of victorious fields over which the red cross of St. George had floated are legion; and later in conjunction with the blue cross of St. Andrew, and the diagonal red cross of St. Patrick, his glory has in no way departed. In spite of St. George's foreign origin, there is something typically English about him; as the lines say:—

St. George he was for England,  
And before he killed the dragon  
He drank a pint of English ale  
Out of an English flagon.  
It is to be hoped that now-days England's patron saint is about to recover her honourable place in the national regard, for St. George has been all that stood for the nation's glory in the past.

### ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

#### SIMPLE CEREMONY OF OBSERVANCE.

#### AT THE CENOTAPH.

There was a simple ceremony of observance at the Cenotaph to-day of the national day, a wreath being laid at the Cenotaph at 9.30 by Mr. W. A. Dowley, who was accompanied by Mr. C. G. Alabaster who carried the wreath, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Sir Henry Pollock, the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, Mr. F. A. Perry, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Mr. S. M. Mayes, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. W. C. Shiner, Mr. Greensmith and Col. Robertson.

Other members of the Society were also present.

Telegrams conveying greetings from St. George's societies in other parts of the Empire have been received this morning, and more were coming in at the time of going to press.

It is, however, impossible to publish a list of them or of the telegrams sent out until the complete list is available.

The St. George's cross outside the City Hall will be illuminated to-night for the concert given under the auspices of the Society.

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### BALTIC PACT.

BREAK IS LITHUANIAN  
CABINET.

SOVIET SNUBBED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Riga, April 22.  
The Lithuanian Foreign Minister, Mr. Reinius, has resigned owing to his colleagues not endorsing his action in carrying on separate negotiations for a Russo-Lithuanian Neutrality Agreement. The acting Foreign Minister stated that the Soviet Government suggested that all the Baltic States should enter into a guarantee pact containing a neutrality clause. The Baltic Governments consented to negotiate, but emphasised that they could not agree to any stipulation contradicting the statutes of the League of Nations, and there could be no question of anything but a Treaty between Russia on the one side and the whole of the Baltic States on the other.

### CHINA'S WARS.

IMPORANT ARRIVALS IN  
PEKING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, April 22.  
Chang Hsueh-liang Chang Tsung-chang and Li Ching-lin en-



Marshal Wu Pei-fu.

tered Peking this morning. Wu Pei-fu's representatives are expected shortly, after which a conference to discuss outstanding questions will take place.

#### Question in Commons.

London, April 22.  
In the House of Commons Mr. R. C. Wallhead (Labour, Merthyr) asked if the Government had been approached or entered into an agreement on the either of the parties engaged in the civil war in China, in the event of either of them occupying Peking, as to the future Government of China or its future foreign policy?

Garrison Commandant.  
Peking, April 23.  
Wu Pei-fu telegraphed to the Committee of Safety again to-day insisting on the appointment of Wang Hui-cheng as garrison commandant, which Chang Tsung-chang, the nominee of Wang Hsueh-liang, has taken over. Wang Hui-cheng is still in Tientsin.

Offer of Grain.  
At a meeting to-day Wang Shih-chien's Committee of Safety resolved to carry on indefinitely. Chang Tso-lin has offered to supply large quantities of grain to Peking, where a shortage is causing anxiety. It is reported that Chang Tso-lin will shortly visit Peking.

An unemployed Chinese was caught by the cell constable in the act of passing over a box of matches to a prisoner at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. Charged with committing an offence, he was fined \$5 or seven days.

### PEACE IN SYRIA.

FRENCH AND BRITISH  
COMBINING WELL.

OPERATIONS PROGRESSING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, April 22.  
According to the "Petit Journal" M. Briand, Premier, addressing the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee, explained that



Lord Plummer.

a complete understanding and collaboration existed between M. Henri de Jouvenel (Governor of Syria) and Field Marshal Lord Plummer (British High Commissioner for Palestine).

The combined operations were well in hand, and peace in Syria could be expected in the near future.

### ECONOMY BILL.

THIRD READING PASSED BY  
COMMONS.

EDUCATION AFFECTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 22.  
The House of Commons, by 323 votes to 138, passed the third reading of the Economy Bill after speeches by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Mr. Lloyd George condemning the proposals in the Bill to take \$4,700,000 from the National Insurance Fund and to economise on education.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in reply, declared that the Government's proposals were justified. He pointed out that this year's Estimates provided for \$2,000,000 more for education than did those of the Labour Government in 1924.

### ARGENTINE LOAN.

ARRANGED BY MESSRS.  
MORGAN'S.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, April 22.  
Messrs. Morgan's have arranged a loan of \$20,000,000 at six per cent. for the Argentina Government, which is offered at \$98.

### SAVE THE FRANC.

MAHARAJAH'S HANDSOME  
DONATION.

(Havas Agency.)

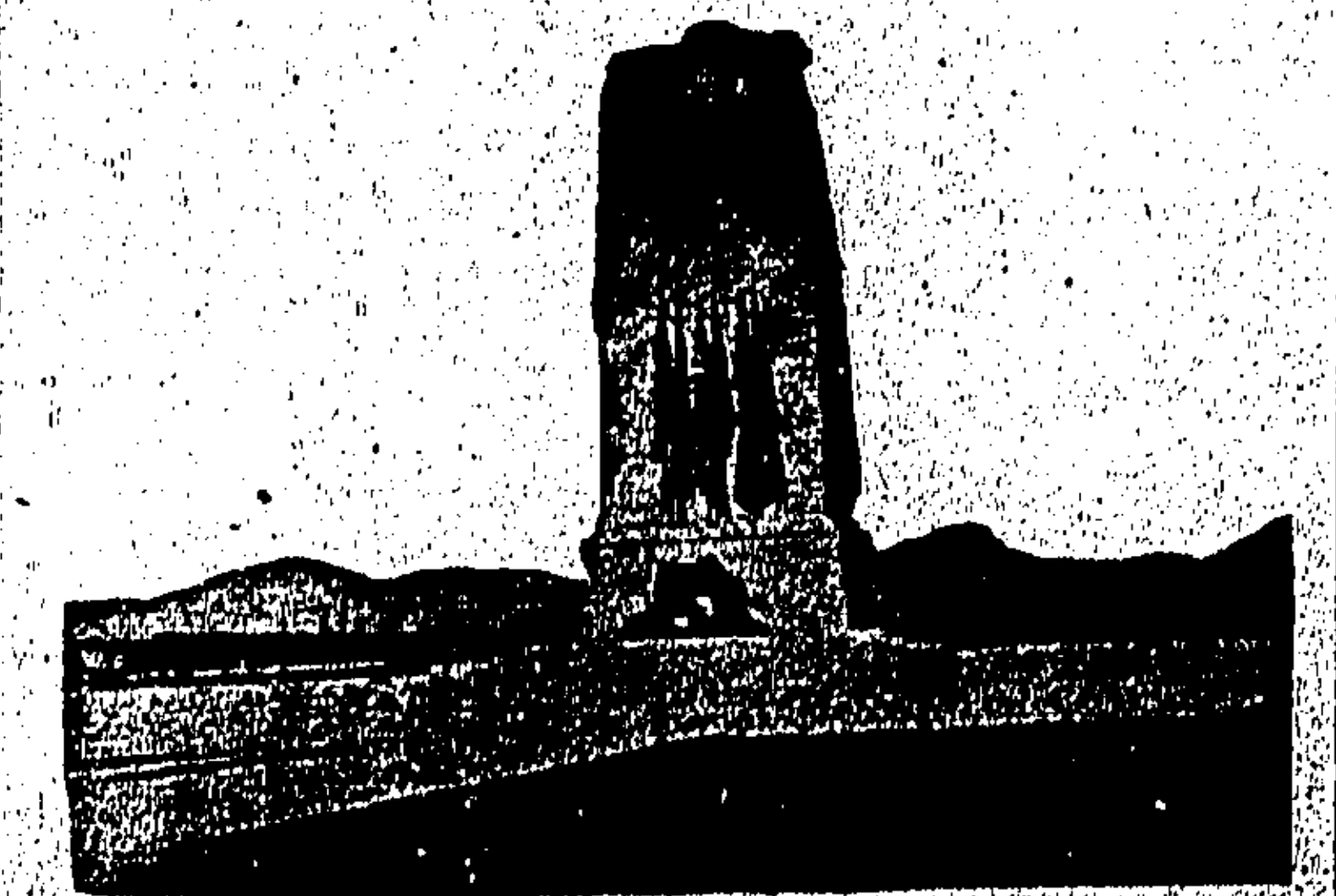
Paris, April 22.  
The Maharajah of Kapurthala has given 50,000 francs to the fund for the improvement of the franc.

### BANK RATE.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, April 22.  
The Federal Reserve Bank discount rate has been reduced from four to 3½ per cent.

### ST. GEORGE'S DAY.



The Hongkong Cenotaph was visited by representatives of the local St. George's Society this morning, it being the anniversary of the patron saint of England.



## COAL CRISIS.

## CONFERENCE ENDS IN A DEADLOCK.

## RELIANCE ON MR. BALDWIN.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, April 22.

The coal owners and the Miners' Executives met to-day, but the conference ended in a deadlock. Subsequently statements were issued by both sides.

Mr. A. J. Cook, Secretary of the Miners' Federation, said:—  
"The coal owners rebuffed clearly and definitely that whilst they were prepared to discuss certain principles to govern agreements, wages must be based upon the economic capacity of the districts to pay. They definitely declared that they would not discuss with our National Executive any minimum percentage to be applied nationally; and as this is a principle which our delegate conference imposed upon us, we could not consider their draft agreement."

## Owners' Version.

Mr. Lee, Secretary of the Coal Owners' Executive, stated:

"The meeting between owners and miners was called in order to discuss the terms of a national agreement, provisionally determining the general principles for the regulation of wages, but we were not able to get down to the discussion of the agreement because the miners' representatives made it quite clear that they were not prepared to negotiate on these terms except on a basis of uniform national percentage and that, too, in spite of the recommendations of the Royal Commission. The owners said they could not possibly agree to that. On the other hand, the miners further made it clear that they stood on the ground of no reduction in wages of any kind. The owners mentioned the question of hours, and pointed out that they could much more favourably discuss terms that would give the men a chance of earning decent wages if the miners consented to an extension of working hours. We told the miners' representatives that it was not because the owners wanted to reduce wages that they were anxious to see an extension of working hours, but we emphasised the fact that some districts, particularly the exporting districts, are really in desperate straits in competition with countries where longer hours are being worked and where the men are accepting lower wages, and it is that element which is the crux of the whole situation at the present moment. The miners, however, were adamant on the question of hours and said that there could be no extension."

## To See Prime Minister.

The miners' leaders this evening met the Industrial Committee of the Trades Union Congress, which is expected to ask for an early interview with the Prime Minister.

## SUBSIDY TO CEASE.

Government May Intervene.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 22.

It is authoritatively learned that the Prime Minister has again emphasised to the owners that the subsidy will terminate on May 1. To what extent there will be "temporary assistance" will entirely depend on the situation arising from the present negotiations.

It is anticipated that the Government will now intervene and summon the two parties together as it did last July.

## Another Conference.

London, later.

It is officially stated from 10 Downing Street that after the meeting with the Miners' Federation a deputation from the General Council of the Trade Union Congress waited on the Prime Minister and suggested that he should invite the owners and miners' representatives to meet him with a view to the resumption of the negotiations.

The Prime Minister stated that he would do so.  
Accordingly the Mining Association and the Miners' Federation have been invited to meet the Prime Minister at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## EARLIER CABLES.

London, April 22.

Mr. A. J. Cook, in a statement says: We met the coal-owners at their own request. Mr. Evan Williams, President of the Mining Association, presided. They definitely refused to discuss any minimum percentage applicable to the coalfields nationally, and declared wages must be based on the economic capacity of the district affected. They refused to

## WARM WELCOME.

## KING'S MESSAGE TO TEST CRICKETERS.

## MAY SEE THEM AT LORD'S.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, April 22.

A message from His Majesty the King was read at a luncheon given in honour of the Australian Cricket eleven by Australian and New Zealand business men in London. It was addressed to Admiral Sir John De Robeck, Chairman of the Marylebone Cricket Club, and was as follows:  
"King wishes you to offer on his behalf to the members of the Australian cricket team a warm welcome to the Mother Country and to express His Majesty's hope that the visit may be in every way an enjoyable one. The King trusts that he may have the pleasure of seeing them play at Lord's during the season."

## GREAT SINGER.

JOHN McCORMACK IN SHANGHAI.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, April 22.

The famous singer, John McCormack, was given a tremendous



reception by a crowded audience at the Town Hall last night. He subsequently visits Hongkong and Japan, and possibly Peking and Tientsin.

## LITTLE HOPE.

## BREAKDOWN IN MOROCCAN PARLEYS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Madrid, April 22.

News from Morocco gives little hope of a successful outcome of



the peace efforts according to a pessimistic statement by General Primo de Rivera.

disclose the rates of wages and conditions to be applied to districts, and stated that the subsistence wage must be revised and reduced. They announced their intention of posting at pitheads the proposals on which men could work from May 1.

Mr. Cook added that this meant a complete deadlock, and described the employers as adamant as at the last meeting.  
It is announced that notices intimating the new rates of wages will be posted at the pitheads on various dates, commencing to-morrow.

Later.

The conference of the coal-owners and miners has completely broken down.

## RUBBER PRICES.

## ALLEGED EFFECT OF RESTRICTION.

## EXCESS PAYMENTS?

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, April 22.

The Department of Commerce has announced that American rubber manufacturers paid in excess approximately \$14,000,000 in March on "crude rubber" imports owing to the differences between spot prices and the high prices established through the British Government's restriction policy.

Although the market price of rubber dropped from 75 to 69 cents (gold) per lb. since the beginning of restriction, the Americans were not able to profit thereby owing to the time required in transport from the distant producing countries. The crude rubber imports to the end of March amounted to 94,423,000 lb., which cost \$75,585,000.

The Department of Commerce does not anticipate any decrease in rubber prices within the next few months.

## WAR DEBTS.

## NO AMERICAN AGREEMENT WITH FRANCE.

## VARYING REPORTS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, April 22.

It is announced that the American Debt Commission is to meet shortly to consider the funding of France's debt to America.

Mr. Mellon has denied the report from Paris that he has reached an agreement with the French Ambassador on this matter.

## Agreement on Principle.

Paris, April 22.

The Quai d'Orsay confirms the report that Mr. Berenger and Mr. Mellon have virtually agreed in principle to a debt settlement formula for submission to the War Debt Commission, providing for payments spread over 82 years.

The annual payments for the first five years will be small, but they will gradually increase.

It is provided that in the event of a drop in German reparations payments the French capacity to pay shall again be estimated.

## Italy's Debt.

New York, April 22.

The Press unanimously approves of the ratification of the Italian debt settlement as the only practicable thing to do, the view being that if more had been demanded possibly nothing would be obtained.

## "Best Obtainable."

Washington, Feb. 20.

The attitude of the American Foreign Debt Funding Commission in regard to the agreement on the Italian debt terms as set forth two days ago by Andrew W. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, was strongly approved by President Coolidge. It was made known at the White House.

In both branches of Congress, although approved by the House, there have been expressions of dissatisfaction with the agreement because of alleged leniency shown to Italy and certain utterances of the Premier. The pact is shortly to come up for ratification in the Senate and the Administration is desirous that nothing should be done to nullify the agreement arrived at.

"We got what we could; it is that or nothing," is, in effect, the contention of the commission and the Administration.

## Leniency Upheld.

It is certainly better to accept something than by undoing what has been accomplished to run the risk of getting nothing, it is pointed out. The President, a spokesman for him said, believes that the bi-partisan commission had been the ablest body that could have been found to handle so difficult a matter as the funding of foreign debts. The commission had all the facts before it as to what Italy could pay and had acted accordingly.

The President could not understand, the spokesman said, why there should be opposition to approval of the arrangement that had been made. The party to which he belonged had been criticised for not wanting to do enough for foreign countries and it seemed strange that when it was now trying to be generous, it should encounter the criticism of the opposition.

It is for the good of the country that foreign countries should be helped to rehabilitate themselves after the war. Attention was called to the fact that American trade would greatly benefit by such rehabilitation. There was precedent too, for such consideration for Italy in the extension of a moratorium to Austria for 20 years and then 10 additional years. Italy had fought with the United States and Austria against her.

## IMPORT DUTIES.

## CLAIMS TO PROTECT HOME INDUSTRIES.

## ADVOCATES SATISFIED.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, April 22.

Those who have advocated import duties to safeguard British industries against foreign competition are expressing satisfaction with figures which have been presented to the House of Commons by Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister, President of the Board of Trade, in regard to the imposition of safeguarding duties.

The imports of musical instruments, dropped in value from \$301,847 in the first quarter of 1927 to \$77,337 for the first quarter of this year.

The fall in the imports of motor-cars was even more considerable. The value of 7,531 cars imported in the first quarter of 1925 was \$1,386,798 whilst 2,669 cars imported in the first quarter this year were valued at \$459,042.

## OPTICAL GLASS.

## Increase in the Duty.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 22.

The report of the Board of Trade Committee of Inquiry into the effect of the Safeguarding Industries Act and the development of industries and manufacturing governed by the schedule to the Act recommends, inter alia, an increase in the duty on optical glass and instruments from 33 1/3 to 50 per cent. ad valorem, and raising from 25 to 75 per cent. the proportion of the value of the goods manufactured in and consigned from and within the Empire which result in Empire labour; and that the existing ad valorem duty of 33 1/3 per cent. on arc lamps and carbons should be replaced by a specific duty of one shilling per lb. weight.

## INDIAN AFFAIRS.

## CONFLICT WITH POLICE IN CALCUTTA.

## MOHAMMEDANS CASUALTIES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Calcutta, April 22.

M. G. Locker-Lampson (Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs) replied in the negative.

Following a conflict between the Police and Mohammedans two Mohammedans were killed and 11 injured.

## Muslim Congress.

Delhi, April 22.

The Council of Muslim Ulama, not being satisfied with the decision of the Central Khilafat to send a delegation to the World Muslim Congress, have nominated four divines to represent them.

## HOME AGRICULTURE.

## REPRESENTATIVE ON ECONOMIC COMMITTEE.

## EXPERT APPOINTED.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, April 22.

It is announced that His Majesty's Government has proposed and the other Governments concerned have agreed that an additional member shall be appointed by His Majesty's Government to the Imperial Economic Committee as representative of Home Agricultural interests.

In accordance with this arrangement the Prime Minister has appointed Mr. F. N. Blundell (Conservative M.P. for Ormskirk) to be an additional representative of the Home Government on the Imperial Economic Committee.

Mr. Blundell is a prominent agricultural expert.

## UNRULY LABOUR.

## SUSPEND M.P.'S RETURN TO COMMONS.

## "FIRST OFFENCE."

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 22.

The Thirteen Labourites suspended last week have resumed their seats in the House of Commons on the automatic lapse of the period of their suspension, which in the case of a first offence is now limited to five days.

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## OWING TO BRITAIN.

## OLD DEBTS OF AMERICAN STATES.

## PAYMENT DEMANDED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 22.

The British Government was recently pressed to ask the United States Government to arrange for the discharge by certain American States of their long standing indebtedness to British bond-holders in respect of moneys lent.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons yesterday, told Mr. J. S. Wardlaw Milne (Conservative Kildermister) that no action had been taken. The matter of these debts had been carefully considered in the past, and he recently called attention to it again.

## Chamber's Move.

The subject was again brought forward at the annual meeting of the Associated Chambers of Commerce.

Mr. Stanley Machin, who presided, expressed the opinion that the time had come to discharge the liability.  
Later a resolution was moved by Sir James Martin and carried, asking Sir Austen Chamberlain to call the attention of Mr. A. E. Houghton, U.S. Ambassador, to the fact that Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, and South Carolina had defaulted on debts for moneys lent for industrial purposes and national development, and urging that as they were now wealthy they should meet their obligations.

Sir James Martin estimated the amount that was owed to Great Britain as \$75,000,000.

## THE BUDGET.

## TO BE INTRODUCED ON MONDAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 22.

The Budget will be introduced in the House of Commons on Monday.

## STRAITS CURRENCY.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW DESIGN \$5 NOTE.

About the beginning of next month the Straits Settlements Currency Commissioners will issue a \$5 note of an entirely new design.

The new note is printed on white paper and is almost of the same size as the existing \$5 note except that it is slightly longer. The colour scheme of the new note is green and the distinctive features are scenes of local character, a village and a buffalo in a paddy field on the front of the note and jungle giving prominence to a tiger on the back.

An important feature of the new issue is the introduction of a panel watermark. This watermark representing a tiger's head is at the bottom of the left hand corner of the note.

The new issue is numbered in two places only, the top right hand corner and the bottom left hand corner, and bears only the facsimile of the Treasurer's signature on behalf of the Currency Commissioners instead of the facsimiles of the signatures of all three Commissioners.

The signature of the new design \$5 note appears at the centre of the bottom part of the note whereas the signature of the new design \$10 notes appears at the bottom of the left hand corner of the note.

The first series of the new notes are all dated January 1, 1925.

Notes of existing design will, of course, continue to be accepted but will be exchanged as opportunities offer for new design notes.

## Shadows Before.

## COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

## Entertainments.

April 23—Queen's Theatre: Reginald Denny in "What Happened to Jones."

April 23—Star Theatre: Madge Bellamy in "Lorna Doone."

April 23—World Theatre: Harold Lloyd in "Hot Water."

April 23—Theatre Royal: a vocal and instrumental concert under the auspices of the St. George's Society 9.15 p.m.

May 1—Mayday Carnival at Repulse Bay.

May 7—Smoking Concert at Volunteer Headquarters and distribution of prizes won at recent Corps Rifle Meeting, 9.15 p.m.

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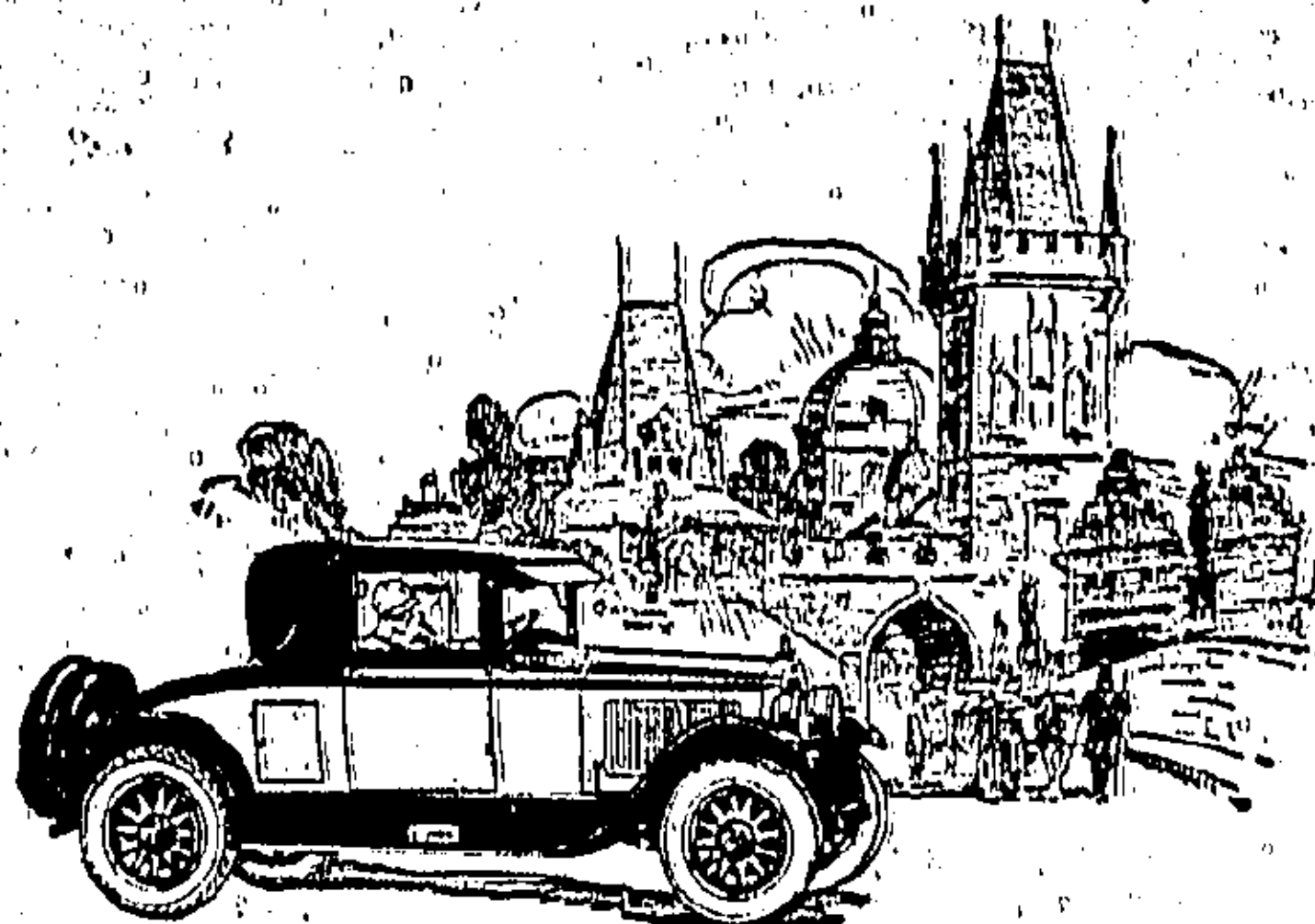
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The cup presented to the Golf Club by Shanghai visitors is on view in Messrs. Falconer's window.

Singapore residents have been warned against wasting water. A water shortage is being experienced at Saigon.

The Golf Club has ordered a new Fordson tractor with a five cutter unit. Several bullocks belonging to the club had to be killed. The tractor takes their place.

One of the London Illustrated papers has a photograph of the handsomely carved chair presented by the Shanghai St. David's Society to the Welsh Bistedford. The chair is a beautiful example of Chinese craftsmanship.

One of the latest novels—"The Uncharted Sea"—has Hongkong for its scene. There is a loveless marriage with a Tai-pan of Hongkong, "a machine-like, business-loving Englishman." We are told that "a great strike breaks out," in which the husband plays a diabolical part, being killed by the strikers.

Last year the time ball at the Royal Observatory (Kowloon) was dropped successfully 664 times. There was one failure, on December 16 at 10 a.m., owing to an injury sustained by the coiler, when hoisting the ball. It was dropped successfully at 11 a.m. The ball was not raised on June 26 at 10 a.m. owing to high wind, and on July 14 at 4 p.m., during a severe thunderstorm.

Referring to the "strike," the Hongkong Observatory's annual report says:—On "leaving the Observatory on June 26, the printer and his assistant were assaulted by intimidators, so failed to attend on June 27 and 28. In consequence the weather reports for these days were not issued until June 29 when the printers returned to duty. This was the only interruption caused by the strike, so far as the routine work of the Observatory was concerned.

The "Socul Press" announces that a Japanese "birdman" has invented "a safe, practical aeroplane." The machine is a combination of an aeroplane and a helicopter, has sixteen wings, and is warranted to fly in any direction.

In connection with the alleged leasing of land in Mexico by Japanese the Tokyo Foreign Office states that it has received no information whatever. No Japanese residents in San Pedro, it is stated, are rich enough to undertake such a big enterprise, and the truth of the story is doubted.

On the 31st ultimo, as the Hamburg-America liner Oldenburg was passing the Akashi strait on her way to Kobe, she sighted a motor-boat in distress, the men on board the boat, which was not under control and had a heavy list, waving their arms to attract attention. Captain Luck slowed down, and took the men on board, towing the motor-boat also to safety.

A large-size submarine (2,000 tons), which was built at the Kawasaki Dockyard at Kobe, and taken to the Yokosuka Naval Port in the latter part of last month, is claimed by the Japanese Navy to be unique, embodying all the lessons of the European War, and her fighting efficiency is a match for ten submarines of the existing types. Submarines to be laid on the blocks are to be designed to this type in future. Admiral Kato, Commander-in-chief of the Naval Station, has inspected the submarine.

The Chinese Legation building in Seoul has been sold, reports the "Osaka Jiji," which values for a price of ¥750,000. The building stands at Meiji-cho on a lot covering an area of 7,500 square meters. An attempt was made several years ago by the Mukden Army to realise the estate at more than two million yen to supplement its chest, but the plan failed. Since then a large number of estate brokers have been interested in the property, which has now been sold. The proceeds will not be utilised for war purposes, it is understood, but go to reinforce the depleted treasury of the Peking Government.

Osaka Chauffeurs, dissatisfied with their treatment, recently went on strike.

Since the Armistice 2340,000,000 has been spent, without service rendered, on unemployment.

Five thousand settlers are expected in Canada this year under the scheme for establishing families on the land.

The Gaumont Graphic at the Queen's Theatre shows pictures of the recent golf-archery contest, with victory going to the Archers.

"What Happened to Jones" at the Queen's is a first rate comedy which convulsed big audiences yesterday. The picture is being screened to-day and to-morrow.

From his London residence, Sir Evelyn Murray, secretary of the G.P.O., has spoken to America by telephone, but it is not certain whether it is commercially practicable.

On March 1 the cost of living, says the "Ministry of Labour Gazette," was about 72 per cent. above that of July, 1914, as compared with 73 per cent. a month ago and 79 per cent. a year ago.

The Government of Quebec is preparing to tax the heavy eater. A Bill introduced into the Legislature provides that a restaurant meal costing more than 4s. 2d. is taxable at five per cent.

Twenty guineas is offered by the National Farmers' Union for the best pound loaf of bread made entirely with flour milled from wheat grown in England and Wales, at the Bakers' Exhibition this year.

A well-dressed man coming out of a tea shop near the Temple pulled a banknote out of his pocket, and at the same time dropped a sixpence. He walked on unaware of this, but a little girl standing near by picked up the coin, ran after him, and handed it to him. He rewarded her with half a crown.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Birkett, Miss E. T. Birkett and Mrs. D. C. Miller left by the "Empress of Asia" yesterday.

The Lawn Tennis Association have barred the German Champion, Frau Neppach, from further play in Germany, because she participated in the Riviera tournament.

Mr. Gishiro Kimura, proprietor of the "Kimura-ya Bakery on the Ginza, Tokyo, has died. Mr. Kimura was one of the pioneers in the bakery business in Japan, and has agents throughout the country, which are doing business under the name of Kimura-ya.

Mr. W. E. Gooch defeated Mr. R. J. Graciani in the final match of the Kobe Club Handicap Billiard Tournament, the play being witnessed by a large number of the members. Mr. Graciani, with a handicap of minus 150, had scored 128 points when his opponent, with a handicap of minus 250, had scored 250 points.

Prince Chichibu of Japan has presented the Kandahar Ski Club, of Murren, with a challenge cup to be known as The Prince Chichibu Challenge Cup. In accordance with the express desire of the Prince, who is a member of the Club, the cup will be awarded to the winner of a straight race open to all members of the Club.

A successful operation severing tissue connections of the abdomen of twin boys born some time ago in a village near Nagoya, was reported from the Nagoya Medical College. Dr. Sato and Dr. Kawana were the surgeons who performed the difficult operation. The twins are expected to be able to leave the hospital within a week.

F. M. Burian, former chief steward of the s.s. "President Cleveland" and for a month or so manager of "Goulette's" cafe, Manila, is in a serious condition from a bullet wound received when highwaymen attempted a raid. A stray bullet struck Mr. Burian. Mr. Burian and Miss Candida Paulo were married in the Manila Hotel about three years ago.



MRS. CARLOS BATUALDO

Leonora Hughes, the famous dancer, who retired to marry Carlos Batualdo, a wealthy South American, says that her entire future will be devoted to her home, which has now been blessed with the arrival of a son and heir.

The great South African statesman, General Smuts, has occupied his leisure in writing a book on Philosophy, which Messrs. Macmillan are publishing in the early summer.

Admiral Earl Jellicoe has just been elected a member of the Court of Assistants of the Mercers' Company. The Mercers is one of the richest of the City companies, and has an annual income of £111,000.

Mr. Sadao Suzuki, noted billiard player who recently toured America, has been elected director of the All-Japan Billiard League, with Rear-Admiral T. Sagawa of the Japanese Imperial Navy as the president. Mr. Suzuki is planning a tour of Japan for exhibition games.

Learned his Greek Testament in waiting-rooms and trains. Went to Madagascar in a sailing ship in 1883 to build four churches for the London Missionary Society. Shipwrecked once, and once nearly killed by a cyclone. These are among the varied experiences of the Rev. James Sibson, F.R.G.S., now of Bromley, who celebrated his 80th birthday this month.

Prince Henry is to become president of the National Association of Royal Clubs.

At Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Mothering Sunday was observed for the first time since the Reformation.

General Booth's 70th birthday will be celebrated by the inviting of 70,000 poor people to a banquet.

Beef is the favourite joint of the English people, according to the "Review of the Frozen Meat Trade."

Mr. William Bradshaw, of Eccles, Lancs, son of the founder of "Bradshaw's Railway Guide," left £39,768.

Major-General William Vesey Brownlow, who commanded the mounted force in the first Boer war, has died in his 85th year.

South Africa's youth has been congratulated by the King in winning his trophy in the miniature rifle shooting match, 2,008 girls and boys competing.

The American ambassador to England thinks the "growing" (i.e. grumbling) is the pet prerogative of Britshers.—A popular pastime: "No one need sit up o' nights worrying about England" he says.

Sir Philip Watts, the naval architect who evolved the Dreadnought type of battleship and the invincible type of cruiser, has died. Of the 34 battleships and battle-cruisers, which were present at the battle of Jutland, 29 were designed by Sir Philip.

Major Lionel Bettinson, of the National Sporting Club, has been nominated an honorary member of the German Boxers' Association in recognition of his efforts to strengthen the sporting connections between the two countries (says the Berlin correspondent of the Ex. Tel. Co.).

John Bull, of the Cheshire Cheese, Fleet-street, is dead. Looking like that typical Englishman of the cartoon, he walked into the tavern during the war and asked for a job as waiter. Asked his name, he replied: "John Bull." His appearance was so genuine, whatever doubts there might have been about his real name, that he was engaged on the spot, and ever since he has entertained customers from all over the world with his wit.

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# "CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE

## SOCCER NOTES.

### LOCAL INTERNATIONAL FINAL.

#### A KOWLOON DOUBLE?

[By "Dutchie."]

The following is the soccer programme for to-morrow—

#### "SUNDAY HERALD" CUP.

##### Final Round.

England v. Portugal, Hongkong F.C. ground, kick-off at 4.30 p.m.

##### LEAGUE.

##### Division I.

Kowloon F.C. v. South China A.A., Kowloon ground, 4.30 p.m.

##### Div. II (Sec. B.)

Kowloon "B" v. South China "C", Kowloon ground, 8 p.m.

A good game should be seen on the Club ground, when England and Portugal meet to decide who shall hold the "Sunday Herald" Cup for the ensuing year in which this competition has been played. The entire proceeds, after deducting expenses, are devoted to charity. It will be remembered that last year over \$2,500 was distributed.

It is hoped that a large crowd will travel to the Valley to see this game and so help to swell the fund. On paper a win for the English team looks more than possible, but one can never tell. The left wing is not so strong as it might be, whilst I hear that there is a difficulty in getting a keeper as Avery is required by his Club to play for them in the league game against South China.

Gutteres of the University will play in the right-half position for the Portuguese. Otherwise the rest of the team will be the same that represented the Club de Recreio in the first division of the League. Incidentally it might be mentioned that the team is the same as that which represented Hongkong against Shanghai a few weeks ago, in the Portuguese Interport soccer festival.

There is one game in the first division of the League, Kowloon being at home to South China. Having won the Shield, Kowloon will now go all out to secure the "double," and thereby set up a record for this Colony. South China will be at full strength and will give their opponents a good game. After Kowloon's two strenuous games in the Shield, a reaction may set in, and they will have to look to their play; otherwise an unbeaten "home" record may go west.

In the junior "B" section, Kowloon Reserves are at home to the South China "C" and it is here if anywhere that the Chinese team may lose their unbeaten record.

## S.C.A.'S FAME.

### INVITATION TO VISIT MANILA?

Manila, April 16. Another football league, to commence immediately after the P.A.A.F. schedule is over, is planned by Mr. Eng Yen, a wealthy member of the Chinese community of this city.

A large cup will be at stake and three teams are expected to participate, namely, Bohemians, All-Chinese and the Manila Sporting Goods.

Mr. Yen intends inviting some members of the famous South China aggregation to come over and play with the All-Chinese cipte, namely, Bohemians, All-Chinese aggregation will make things pretty interesting for the other two teams. Nothing definite is known as yet with regards to Mr. Yen's plans, (says the "Manila Bulletin.")

### SHIELD WINNERS' TEAM.

The following team has been selected to represent Kowloon v. South China in the senior soccer league match on the Kowloon ground to-morrow at 4.45 p.m.:—Avery, Wheeler and Read; Turner, Cavellie and McKelvie; Duncan, Spary, Sims, Hayes and Mason. Reserves: Sibley and Guest.

## YACHT CLUB.

### TO-MORROW'S CLOSING CRUISE.

#### THE PROGRAMME.

The programme for the closing cruise of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club to-morrow is given below.

The attendance of members and friends is requested from 3 p.m. onwards. All cruiser owners are requested by the Committee to moor their boats alongside the Electric Light works and dress ship so soon as their race is over.

#### SAILING.

Event No. 1 (2 p.m.):—for combined English and Chinese rigged cruisers. Course:—Start Murray Pier Line (W. to E.), Cust Rock Buoy (S), Finish, Club House (W. to E.), distance 2 miles.

#### RACING YACHTS (LADIES' RACES).

Event No. 2 (3 p.m.):—for Handicap class. Course:—Start Club House Line (W. to E.) Mark East off Kowloon Dock Point (P.) Cust Rock Gas Buoy (P.) Mark boat Club House Line (P.) Twice Round. Distance 4½ miles.

Event No. 3 (3.25 p.m.):—for Hayward Hays and Gael classes. Course:—Start Club House Line (W. to E.) Mark East off Kowloon Dock Point (P.) Cust Rock Gas Buoy (P.) Mark boat Club House Line (P.) Twice Round. Distance 4½ miles. (Two separate races starting same time).

#### ROWING.

Event No. 4:—The Leveson Cup. (1 Mile).

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B. H. de J. Moore ..... 2.  
F. T. Orr ..... 3.  
R. M. Jack ..... str.  
A. R. Kinross ..... cox.

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J. H. Sutcliffe ..... bow.  
R. W. Lee ..... 2.  
V. I. Jones ..... 3.  
A. C. Groves ..... str.  
F. P. Lenfesty ..... cox.

#### HEAT 2.—3.45 p.m.

##### H.M.S. SUBMARINES.

Lt. G. Tanner ..... bow.  
Lt. W. Moir ..... 2.  
Lt. Cdr. E. Barracough ..... 3.  
Lt. E. R. Gibson ..... str.  
Lt. G. G. Slade ..... cox.

##### P.W.D.

R. C. Keen ..... bow.  
F. Baker ..... 2.  
A. H. McBride ..... 3.  
K. S. Robertson ..... str.  
H. J. Pearce ..... cox.

##### H.K. ELECTRIC CO.

R. W. Smith ..... bow.  
G. G. Thomson ..... 2.  
T. L. Foster ..... 3.  
C. B. Easterbrook ..... str.  
A. T. Stubbs ..... cox.

#### Event No. 5 (4.15 p.m.):—

##### Dinghy Race for boat boys.

#### Event No. 6 (4.45 p.m.):—

##### Leveson Cup final:—first and second

##### boats of each heat to row off.

#### Event No. 7 (5 p.m.):—

##### Race for collapsible life-boats from Sub-

##### marines. (The race will finish by

##### boats being beached and collapsed).

#### LAWN BOWLS.

An exhibition game will be played during the afternoon. Spoons will be presented by S. T. Williamson, Esq.

Presentation of Prizes about 5.30 p.m. (Mrs. E. W. Carpenter has kindly consented to present the prizes at the conclusion of the racing.)

#### FANLING HUNT.

Week-end appointments for the Fanling Hunt are:—

#### Saturday: By kind invitation,

#### the Hon. Mr. J. P. Paterson's bungalow, Fanling, at

#### 2.45 p.m.

#### Sunday: Hounds meet at Au

#### tau at 10 a.m. Bus will meet

#### 8.35 train from Kowloon, at

#### Shingchi.

## HOME SOCCER.

### GRIMSBY'S BATTLE FOR PROMOTION.

#### NOW AT THE TOP.

Grimsby are making a determined effort to win the championship of the 3rd division (northern section) of the Home Football League.

Yesterday, on their own ground, they defeated Doncaster by 4 goals to 1, says Reuter.

As will be seen from the accompanying table, the two extra points bring them above Bradford, who have led for the greater part of the season.

#### Division III (North).

|              | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A.  | Pts. |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|------|
| Grimsby      | 40 | 25 | 8  | 7  | 89 | 39  | 58   |
| Bradford     | 40 | 25 | 7  | 8  | 94 | 41  | 57   |
| Rochdale     | 40 | 25 | 5  | 10 | 97 | 56  | 55   |
| Chesterfield | 40 | 24 | 5  | 11 | 94 | 51  | 53   |
| Halifax      | 40 | 17 | 11 | 12 | 52 | 45  | 45   |
| Nelson       | 40 | 16 | 11 | 13 | 86 | 64  | 43   |
| Hardopools   | 40 | 17 | 8  | 15 | 75 | 68  | 42   |
| Doncaster    | 40 | 15 | 11 | 14 | 74 | 68  | 41   |
| Ashington    | 40 | 15 | 11 | 14 | 67 | 56  | 41   |
| Crewe        | 40 | 17 | 7  | 16 | 68 | 58  | 41   |
| N. Brighton  | 40 | 17 | 7  | 16 | 68 | 58  | 41   |
| Tranmere     | 40 | 18 | 5  | 17 | 66 | 78  | 41   |
| Durham       | 40 | 16 | 6  | 17 | 58 | 66  | 38   |
| Rotherham    | 40 | 16 | 6  | 18 | 64 | 90  | 38   |
| Lincoln      | 40 | 16 | 5  | 19 | 64 | 79  | 37   |
| Coventry     | 40 | 15 | 6  | 19 | 66 | 76  | 36   |
| Wigan        | 40 | 13 | 11 | 17 | 65 | 85  | 35   |
| Accrington   | 40 | 16 | 3  | 21 | 75 | 96  | 35   |
| Wrexham      | 40 | 10 | 10 | 19 | 59 | 85  | 30   |
| Southport    | 40 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 55 | 87  | 30   |
| Walsall      | 40 | 10 | 6  | 24 | 57 | 103 | 26   |
| Barrow       | 40 | 6  | 3  | 31 | 45 | 94  | 15   |

Each club has to play 42 matches. Bradford, however, have a very slight advantage on goal average. The figures reading:—  
Grimsby ..... 2.282—1,000.  
Bradford ..... 2.292—1,000.

## SERVICE SOCCER.

### "HAWKINS" v. "AMBROSE"

#### AT PENANG.

Penang, April 10.

Football teams from H.M.S. "Hawkins" and H.M.S. "Ambrose" met on the Renong ground, this afternoon, and after a good game, the former left the field winners by two goals to nil.

Every inch of ground was sternly contested (says the "Pinang Gazette") but the victors had the better of the game and well deserved their win.

During one of the onslaughts by the "Hawkins" forwards the "Ambrose" left half, in trying to clear, directed the ball towards his own goal, and despite the goalie's attempt to stop it, it went through.

Shortly before the interval the "Hawkins" scored another goal as the result of a fine, combined attack.

Although the "Hawkins" predominated during the second half they failed to add to their score.

## AUSTRALIAN GOLFERS.

Australia will be well represented in the open and other big golf competitions at Home this year, for in addition to Tom Howard, F. Popplewell, Carnegie Clark and H. P. Sinclair went Home by the P. and O. "Naldara."

Popplewell is the open champion of Australia. He was about the first player in the Commonwealth to realise that the promising method of starting the club back was wrong. He promptly adopted the method now in universal use except in Australia, though it is growing there by leaps and bounds.

Sinclair has many records and championships to his credit. He is expected to go far in the British Amateur Championship.

## JOCKEY'S BAD "JOSS."

(via Colombo.)

London, March 23. Gordon Richards, who headed the list of winners flat-race jockeys in 1925, has entered hospital at Lincoln with pleurisy, consequent to a chill contracted on the first day of the flat season.

Lincoln, April 8. Gordon Richards, the champion "flat" race jockey, has come out of hospital. He has been suffering from pleurisy. He probably resumes racing at Birmingham on April 5.

## NORTHERN UNION RUGBY.

London, March 27.

The semi-finals of the Northern Union rugby cup resulted as follows:

Oldham 15, Wigan 8 (at

Salford).

Swinton 13, Hull 2 (at

Halifax).

## BILLIARDS.

### EMPIRE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH.

#### HOME MAN'S VICTORY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 22.

In the Empire billiards amateur championship Earlham (England) in a game of 2,000 up, beat Rutledge (South Africa) by 758 points.

## HOME GOLF.

### 16 AMERICAN AMATEURS THIS YEAR.

#### SEEKING OUR HONOURS.

(via Colombo.)

New York, March 27.

Sixteen American golfers, including the eight participating in the Walker Cup, have entered for the British Amateur Championship to be held at Muirfield on May 24.

## BOXING.

### LUIS FIRPO'S "POINTS" VICTORY.

#### BEATS AN ITALIAN.

(via Colombo.)

Buenos Aires, April 4. Luis Firpo won the decision against the Italian, Erminio



Luis Firpo.

Spalla, whom he out-pointed in a 12 rounds boxing contest.

Both seemed exhausted at the close.

[Note:—Firpo is the Argentinian who was considered as a potential world's heavyweight champion.]

## RUGGER FATALITY.

### RESUMES AFTER INJURY: THEN DIES.

#### CLUB'S BAD LUCK.

(via Colombo.)

London, April 5.

For the second year in succession the Gloucester Club has lost a player as the result of an injury on the rugby field. Their vice-captain, S. A. Brown, a leading try-getter for several years, has died as the result of a ruptured kidney, the injury being sustained in the match against Aberavon on Saturday (April 3). It is remarkable that he resumed and finished the game after being injured.

Last year's fatality was Stanley Bayliss.

To-day's match against the London Welsh has been scratched.

## TALENTED GIRLS.

### IN HARD COURTS TENNIS FINAL.

(via Colombo.)

London, April 3.

The two most talented English girl players were engaged in a magnificent final at the Acton Park Club in the final of the hard courts tennis tournament.

Miss Joan Fry last year's Wimbledon finalist, defeated the eighteen-year-old Miss Eileen Bennett, 6-3, 8-6, 6-3.

## YOUNGEST RUGBY SKIPPER.

(via Colombo.)

London, April 1.

The rugby player, R. G. Hopkins, Captain of Blackheath, and the youngest skipper of any first class club, is leaving for India to-day to take up an appointment.

He secured an English first



Maurice Weiss, the noted French aviator, went to America to do some exhibition flying and investigate the possibilities of commercial aviation.

## INDIAN AGRICULTURE.

### BICENTENARY OF MADRAS COLLEGE.

We have received for insertion from the editor of the Madras Agricultural Students' Union Journal the following:—

The first step in experimental cultivation with the introduction of modern implements and exotic crops and crop varieties in India was taken in Madras under the inspiration of Sir William Denison who was Governor in 1861-63 and Mr. W. Robertson, an experienced agriculturist who had had a thorough course of training in the Royal Agricultural College Cirencester was appointed Agricultural Adviser.

In the course of a decade experience showed that agricultural education should also be imparted to the youth of the country if improvements were to be lasting in their effects. Consequently during the administration of the most benevolent Governor, the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, an agricultural college was established at Saidapet near Madras in 1875 and the experimental farm of 250 acres which had until then been managed by a committee was transferred to the college as an adjunct and also being used as a training ground for students. Mr. Robertson in addition to his duties became the first Principal of the college and continued as such until 1887 when he was succeeded by Mr. Walter Kees, an M.A. of Cambridge and an M.R.A.C. of Cirencester.

This college had its vicissitudes until the outlook of the nations and governments of the world in respect of agriculture underwent changes in the earlier years of this century and affected Saidapet also. When during the viceroyalty of Lord Curzon, provincial and central departments of agriculture were organised, this college was moved 300 miles up country to its present site at Coimbatore, which enjoys a more equable climate, possesses a better assortment of soils and is better fitted for research work. Thus agricultural education in Madras has behind it an interesting record of 50 years.

At Coimbatore this institution has developed in several directions and almost all branches of agricultural science are represented, the chemical, the pathological and plant breeding activities being most prominent.

Coimbatore has been the ground of toil for Mr. R. Cecilwood (Principal for 15 years) now in Swaziland and with him were associated Dr. C. A. Barber, W. H. Harrison, William MacRae and Messrs. N. C. Sampson and F. R. Parnell.

In this year of grace 1926 from 12th to 17th July next, the Bicentenary celebrations have been arranged to take place at Coimbatore under the auspices of the Madras Agricultural Students' Union primarily a product of this institution but now composed of the students of all colleges (past and present) and of officers of the department. This Union was started in 1910 and in close association with the local departments of agriculture has been conducting a monthly journal in English and holding annual meetings in furtherance of agricultural progress.

The celebrations begin on 12th July with the opening by the Governor of Madras—His Excellency Viscount Copeham of a magnificent building to be wholly devoted for the instructional side of the Institute's activities and will include an agricultural exhibition, an agricultural conference and popular lectures—enlivened by sports and entertainments.

It is expected that persons interested in agriculture both on the theoretical and practical side will assemble in large numbers.

The Union has undertaken this function with the active and wholehearted support and sympathetic guidance of Mr. R. D. Anand, the Chief Secretary of the provincial government.

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

### OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, APRIL 23, 1926, 10.30 A.M.

| Names.                         | Hongkong<br>Stock<br>Exchange. | Hongkong<br>Sharebrokers<br>Association. | Share & Real<br>Estate<br>Brokers. |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| T.T. on London                 | 21 1/2                         | 21 1/2                                   | 21 1/2                             |
| T.T. on Shanghai               | 76 1/2                         | 76 1/2                                   | nom.                               |
| Hongkong Bank                  | 1105 b.                        | 1105 b.                                  | \$110 b.                           |
| do. London.                    | 2125 n.                        | —                                        | 2125 n.                            |
| Chartered Bank                 | 20 n.                          | 22 1/2 n.                                | —                                  |
| Mercantile Bank, A. & B.       | 230 1/2 b.                     | 230 n.                                   | —                                  |
| do. C.                         | 213 1/2 b.                     | 213 1/2 n.                               | —                                  |
| P. & O. Bank                   | 204 n.                         | 202 1/2 n.                               | —                                  |
| Bank of East Asia              | 286 n.                         | 280 b.                                   | 280 b.                             |
| Marine Insurance.              | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| Canton Insurance               | 625 b.                         | 625 b.                                   | \$ 625 b.                          |
| China Underwriters             | 195 sa.                        | 2 b.                                     | 190 b.                             |
| North China Insurance.         | T 145 n.                       | T 140 n.                                 | —                                  |
| Union Insurance                | 283 b.                         | 283 b.                                   | \$284 b.                           |
| Yangtze Insurance              | 39 n.                          | 44 n.                                    | —                                  |
| Fire Insurance.                | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| China Fire Insurance           | 170 b.                         | 170 b.                                   | —                                  |
| H.K. Fire Insurance            | 550 b.                         | 550 b.                                   | 550 b.                             |
| Shipping.                      | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| Douglases                      | 28 n.                          | 28 n.                                    | 28 s.                              |
| Hongkong Steamboats            | 27 sa.                         | 25 1/2 b.                                | 25 1/2 s.                          |
| H.K. Tugs & Lighters           | 24 sa.                         | 25 b.                                    | 25 n.                              |
| Indo-China (Prof.)             | 38 n.                          | 30 n.                                    | 37 s.                              |
| do. (Def.) Ltd.                | 46 sa.                         | —                                        | 45 s.                              |
| do. (C.) Ltd.                  | —                              | 45 n.                                    | —                                  |
| oriental Navigation            | 250 n.                         | 250 n.                                   | —                                  |
| Shell Transport                | 87 1/2 b.                      | 87 1/2 n.                                | 90 1/2 n.                          |
| Star Ferries                   | \$61 b. 62 sa                  | 62 b.                                    | \$62 b & sa.                       |
| Water-boats                    | 15 n.                          | 15 sa.                                   | 15 sa.                             |
| Refineries.                    | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| China Sugars                   | 26 b.                          | 27 b.                                    | 27 n.                              |
| Malacca Sugars                 | 34 sa.                         | 35 n.                                    | 40 n.                              |
| Mining.                        | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| Bangatsu                       | 1 1/2 n.                       | —                                        | —                                  |
| Kallan Mining Ad.              | 42 1/2 b.                      | 42 1/2 n.                                | 47 1/2 n.                          |
| Langkats (Combined)            | 24 1/2 sa.                     | T22.65 sa                                | 72 1/2 b.                          |
| do. (Single)                   | 12 1/2 b.                      | 11 n.                                    | —                                  |
| Shanghai Exploration           | 5 1/2 b.                       | 5 n.                                     | —                                  |
| Shanghai Loan                  | 7 n.                           | 7 n.                                     | —                                  |
| Rauds                          | 5 n.                           | 4 b.                                     | —                                  |
| Tronoh Mines                   | 65 1/2 n.                      | 65 1/2 b.                                | 5 s.                               |
| Ural Caspian                   | 8 1/2 n.                       | —                                        | —                                  |
| Docks, Wharves<br>Godowns, &c. | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| H.K. & K. Wharves              | \$128 b. 128 1/2               | 128 1/2 b.                               | \$128 b.                           |
| H.K. & V. Docks                | 60 sa.                         | 60 n.                                    | 60 sa.                             |
| Hongkows                       | T165 b.                        | —                                        | 165 b.                             |
| New Engineerings               | 580 b.                         | T 590 b.                                 | 534 b.                             |
| Shanghai Docks                 | 108 b.                         | 108 b.                                   | 108 b.                             |
| Lands, Hotels & Hlds.          | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| H.K. & S. Hotels (old)         | 970 b. 934 sa                  | 934 n.                                   | 934 b.                             |
| do. (new)                      | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| Hongkong Lands                 | 64 1/2 s.                      | 61 1/2 b.                                | 63 b.                              |
| H.K. Realty                    | 6 n.                           | 6 b.                                     | 6 b.                               |
| H.K. Territory                 | 5 sa.                          | 5 sa.                                    | 6 sa.                              |
| Dumfries Estates               | 15 1/4 b.                      | 15 1/4 b.                                | 15 1/4 b.                          |
| Princes Building               | 100 n.                         | 100 s.                                   | —                                  |
| Rural Lands                    | 7 n.                           | —                                        | —                                  |
| Cotton Mills.                  | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| Ow Cottons                     | 10.30 b.                       | T10.63 b & sa                            | T10 1/4 b.                         |
| Oriental                       | 3.20 b. (sa)                   | 3 1/4 b.                                 | 3.10 b.                            |
| Shanghai Cottons (old)         | 52 b.                          | 54 b.                                    | 53 b.                              |
| do. (new)                      | 27 b.                          | 28 b.                                    | 27 b.                              |
| Miscellaneous.                 | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| Canton Ices                    | \$7 1/2 n.                     | \$7 s.                                   | \$ 7 s.                            |
| Cements (comb.)                | 15 1/4 b.                      | 15 1/4 b.                                | 15 1/4 b.                          |
| do. (old)                      | 13 b.                          | 13 1/4 b.                                | 12 1/2 s.                          |
| do. (new)                      | 3 n.                           | 2 1/4 b.                                 | 3 s.                               |
| China Buses                    | 10 1/4 b.                      | —                                        | —                                  |
| China Lights (comb.)           | 20 b. & sa.                    | 20 b.                                    | 20 b.                              |
| do. (old)                      | 15 b.                          | 15 n.                                    | 15 b.                              |
| do. (new)                      | 11 n.                          | 12 n.                                    | 11 b.                              |
| China Prov. (comb.)            | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| do. (old)                      | 6 b. 6.15 sa                   | 6.10 b. 6.15-<br>[6.20 sa]               | 6 b.                               |
| do. (new)                      | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| Dairy Farms                    | 20 n.                          | 19 1/4 b.                                | 19 1/4 s.                          |
| Per A Wing (full pd.)          | 10 n.                          | 8 s.                                     | —                                  |
| do. (part pd.)                 | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| Hongkong Amusements            | 11 1/2 n.                      | 11 1/2 b.                                | —                                  |
| K. Constructions               | 23 1/2 n.                      | 6 n. 6 1/2 sa                            | 3 1/2 s.                           |
| Hongkong Electrics             | 64 b.                          | 64 b. 64 1/4. 64                         | 64 1/2 b. & sa.                    |
| K. Developments                | 25 cts n.                      | 25 cts b. 35 sa                          | cts 25 n.                          |
| H.K. Ropes (comb.)             | 30 s.                          | —                                        | 30 n.                              |
| do. (old)                      | 10 s.                          | 10 1/2 n.                                | 10 n.                              |
| do. (new)                      | 5 s.                           | 5 1/2 n.                                 | 5 n.                               |
| Hongkong Tramways              | 24.80 b. 25 1/4 sa             | 24.60 b. 24.80                           | 24 1/2 b.                          |
| Gas, Crawford                  | 10 1/4 sa.                     | 10 s.                                    | 10 s.                              |
| Gasco Electrica                | 21 1/2 n.                      | —                                        | —                                  |
| Jackintosh                     | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| anyang Tobacco                 | —                              | 13 b.                                    | —                                  |
| Peak Trams (old)               | 17 1/2 b.                      | 17 1/2 b.                                | 17 1/2 b.                          |
| do. (new)                      | 7.60 b.                        | 8 n.                                     | 8 s.                               |
| Incinerators                   | 11 n.                          | 10 b.                                    | 11 s.                              |
| Singapore Trams                | 8 s.                           | 8 n.                                     | —                                  |
| axis                           | 4 s.                           | 3 b.                                     | 2 1/4 b.                           |
| United Asbestos                | 20 n.                          | —                                        | —                                  |
| (Founders)                     | —                              | 600 n.                                   | —                                  |
| do. (Ordinary)                 | —                              | 18 n.                                    | —                                  |
| Watsons (old)                  | 12 b.                          | 13 h.                                    | 12 1/2 b.                          |
| do. (new)                      | —                              | —                                        | —                                  |
| m. Powells                     | 10 n.                          | 9 1/2 n.                                 | 10 s.                              |
| K. Telephone                   | —                              | —                                        | 3.80 b.                            |

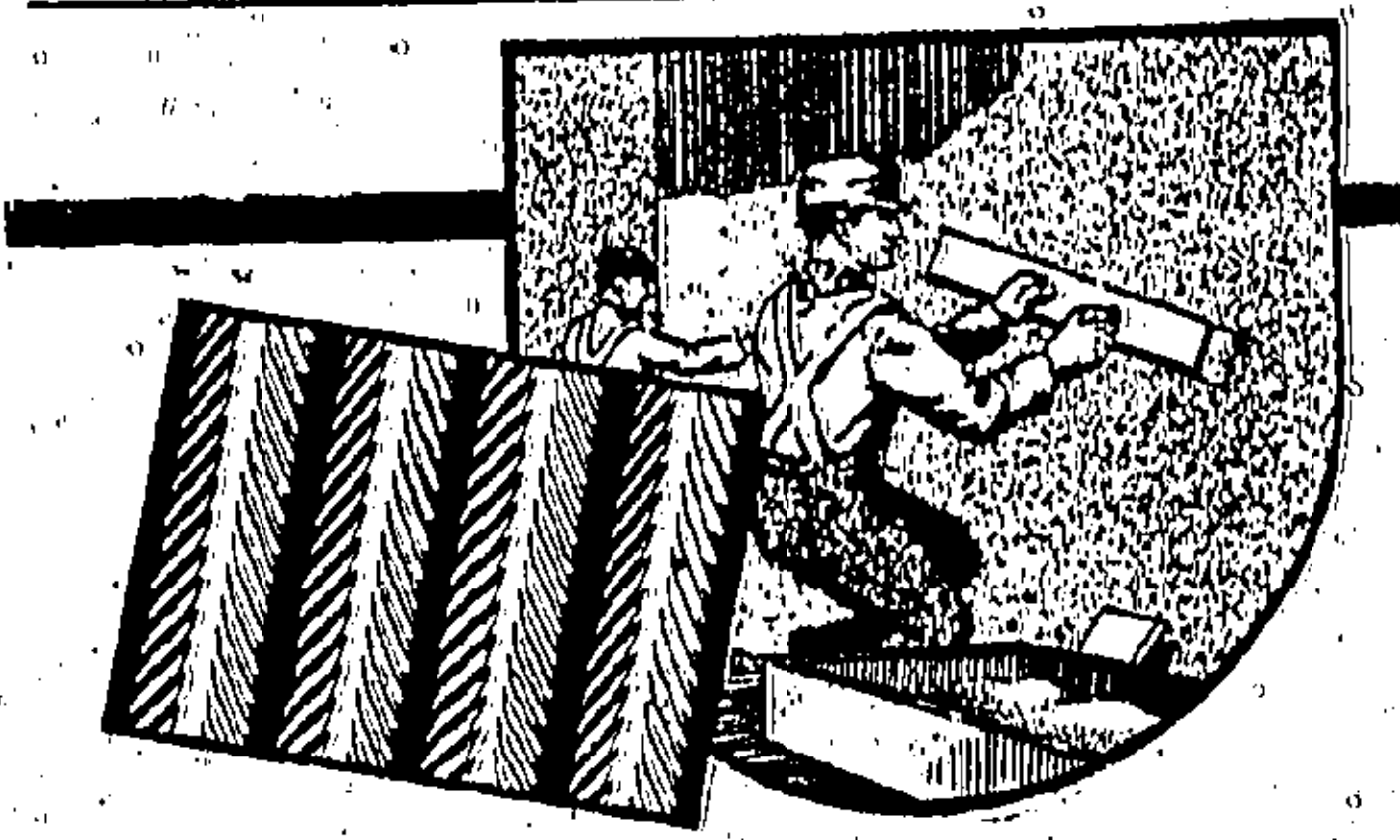


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## People and Events in the News of the World



MARY MILES MINTER

Mary Miles Minter, the screen actress, is reported to have volunteered to repeat all she knew about the mysterious death of William Desmond Taylor, the director, four years ago, when the investigation in New York was re-opened.



District Attorney Asa Koyen, of Los Angeles, re-opened the investigation into the four year mystery of the death of William Desmond Taylor, the movie director, and questioned Mary Miles Minter, the screen actress.



DEATH OF DEUT. LEON CALLOT

The plane of Lieutenant Leon Callet, a French army aviator, is shown as it swung through the arch of Eiffel Tower, in Paris, and (below) just after it fell to the ground in a mass of flames when it struck some radio wires. The flier was burned to death. He tried the stunt when dared to do so by a friend.



WHERE FOUR MET DEATH

Four persons were instantly killed when the "Twentieth Century Limited" crashed into an automobile near Rochester, N.Y.



SISTER GUTIERRES

One of the first nuns to be deported for teaching religion in Mexico is Sister Balbina Gutierrez, Carmelite, who was evicted from the state of Yucatan.



LEUTENANT CALLIZO



MANUEL RUBIN



MAJOR-GENERAL SUMMERALL



SERGE VORONOFF

Lieutenant Callizo, holder of the world's aeroplane altitude record, will lead the French aerial expedition which this year may attempt to fly over Mount Everest, the world's highest peak. Manuel Rubin, a Solicitor, prosecuted in the blasphemy charge against Anthony Simba, the Brooklyn radical. Major-General Summerall was prominently mentioned as Chief of Staff to succeed Major-General Hines, the U.S. Army head. Serge Voronoff will establish a farm in Italy to breed a certain kind of apes to carry on his gland rejuvenation experiments.



CHICAGO WRECK

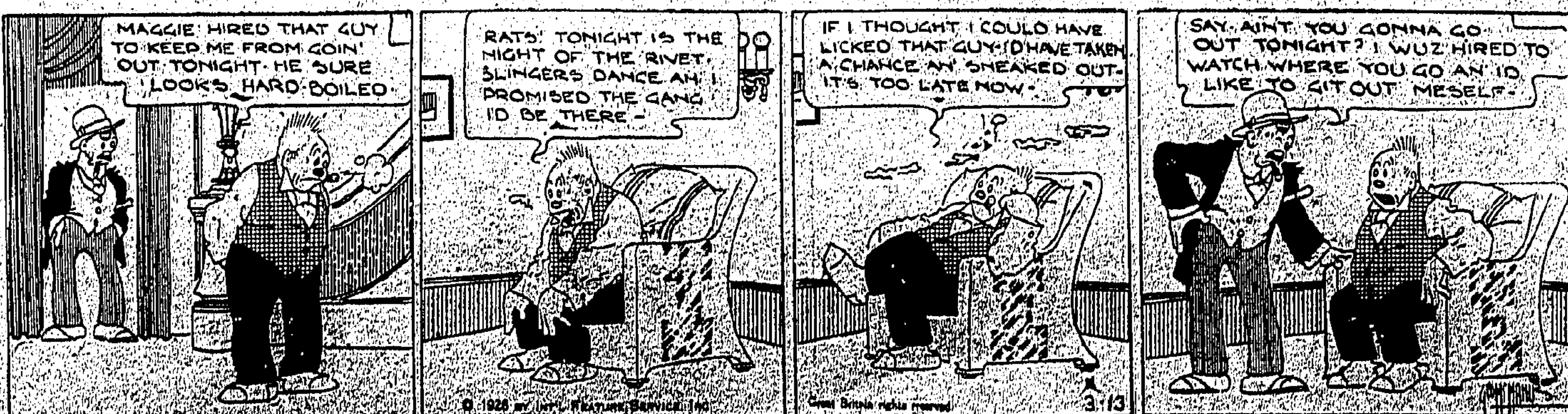
Three train men were killed and twenty passengers were injured when a Michigan central suburban train collided with a fast freight train in Chicago. This unusual photo, taken just after the smash-up illustrates the terrific force with which the two engines met.



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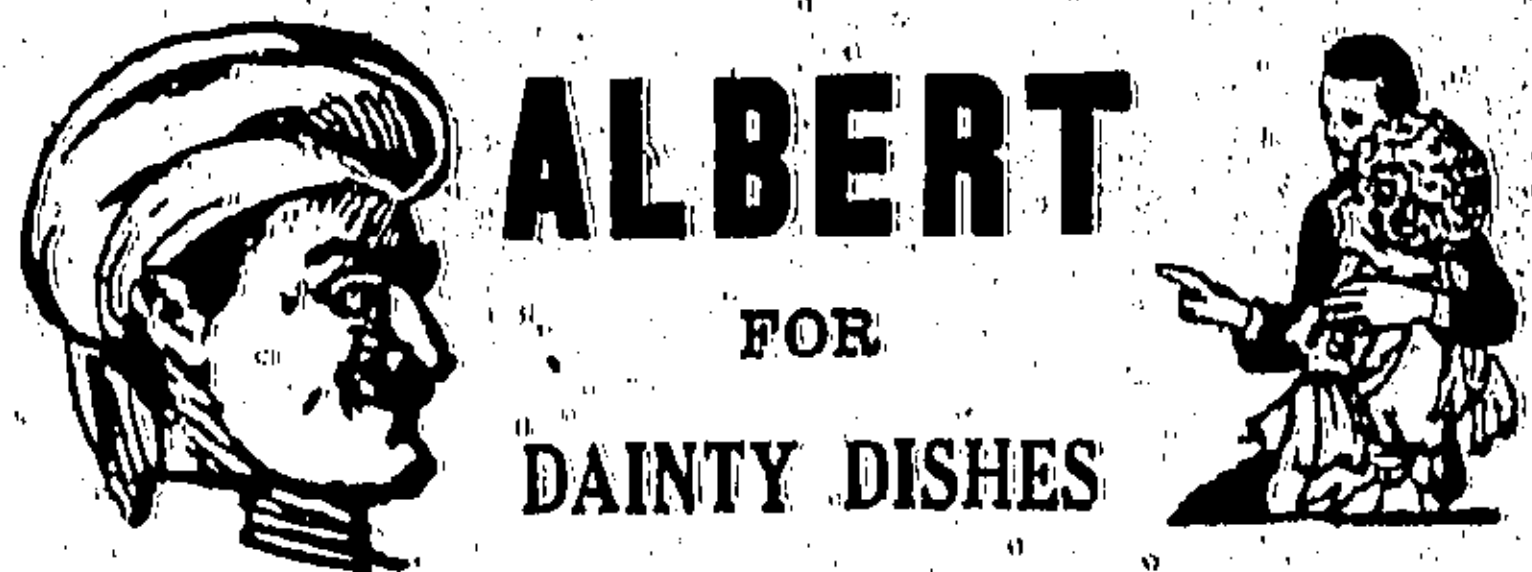
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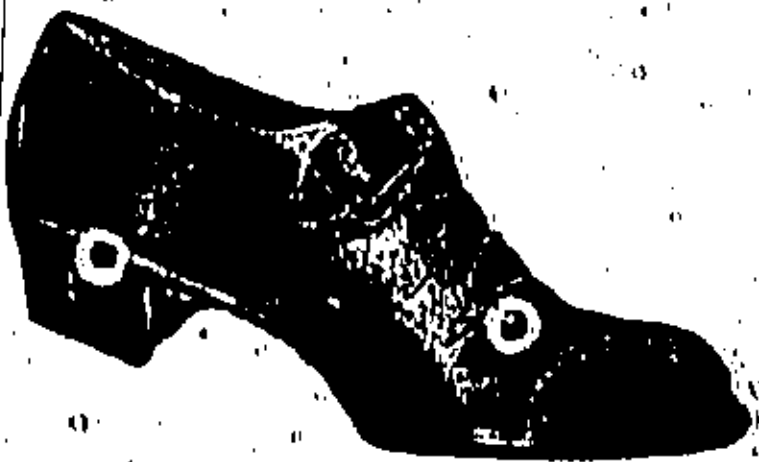
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For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and mainland is published:—

| Island.                   | Feet. |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Victoria Peak .....       | 1823  |
| Signal Station .....      | 1774  |
| Mt. Parker .....          | 1734  |
| Mountain Lodge .....      | 1725  |
| The Eyrie .....           | 1725  |
| Peak Hotel .....          | 1305  |
| Taikoo Sanatorium ...     | 1000  |
| Mt. Davis .....           | 877   |
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| Mainland.                 |       |
| Taimoshan .....           | 3124  |
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### BLOOD TRANSFUSION

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It was Sir Christopher Wren, at that time a professor of astronomy, who invented not only the intravenous injection of drugs but the transfusion of blood in the year 1659. His success on dogs, wrote Pepys in his diary, "did give occasion to many pretty wishes, as of the blood of a Quaker to be let into an Arch-bishop, and such like; but may, if it takes, be of mighty use to man's health, for the amending of bad blood by borrowing from a better body."

In 1667, the year after the Great Fire of London, the experiment was tried before the Royal Society on Arthur Coga, a half-mad Cambridge graduate "that is poor and a debauched man, that the College have hired for 20s. to have some of the blood of a sheep let into his body. 'Some think it may have a good effect on him as a frantic man by cooling his blood.'"

Mr. Coga survived to write an account of his case in Latin, and claimed that he felt a new man, but Pepys records that he continued "cucked a little in the head."

WHEN TRANSFUSION WAS PRACTICAL. As a matter of fact it is doubtful whether he can have received much blood from the sheep, for subsequent attempts to transfer blood from an animal to man, or from one animal species to another, have generally proved harmful and often fatal. And though transfusion was occasionally practised with conspicuous success from one human being into another, there were times when the blood even of a near relative acted as a deadly poison.

It was not till this century that the reason for these fatalities was investigated. It was found that very often the red corpuscles of the injected blood are treated in the same way as bacteria to which a man is immune. They are first rendered sticky, or "agglutinated," and then broken up by substances found in the blood serum of the recipient.

Fortunately it is not necessary to inject blood in order to test its properties. If we mix a drop of the donor's blood with a drop of serum from the recipient we can watch what happens with a microscope or even a good hand lens.

Later Jansky and Moss showed that as regards these properties of the blood every human being falls into one of four groups. As a general rule the blood from a member of group 4 can safely be transfused into anyone, from group 3 only into groups 1 and 3, from group 2 only into groups 1 and 2, while the blood of a member of group 1 is poisonous to all



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except his own group. Thus the unfortunate members of group 4, to which I belong, can be called on to give blood to anyone, while the blood of most other people is poisonous to them.

#### A TEST OF PATERNITY.

It was next shown that the group of any individual is fixed from the moment of birth. Finally J. R. Learmonth, a Glasgow medical student, obtained drops of blood from outpatients and their families, and found that membership of a group is inherited in a very simple manner according to Mendel's law. For example, if two parents belong to group 4 all their children belong to it also, while a parent in group 1 may have children of any group. There is no doubt that this knowledge will be used in the future in many cases of disputed paternity.

During the war Salonika was an ethnological museum. Besides the native Greeks, Jews, and Turks, there were British, French, Italians, Serbs, Russians, Arab, Negro, Annamite, and Madagascan soldiers, and German, Austrian, and Bulgarian prisoners. The brothers Hirschfeld, who were Polish medical officers in the Serbian Army, obtained samples of blood from some 8,000 men and tested them. They found great differences between different races, and since then tests have been made all over the world with most interesting results.

For example, groups 1 and 3 are hardly ever found among American Indians. In the Old World they are rarest in British and Belgians, and steadily increase as one passes towards

India or Africa. The only coloured race whose groups are in European proportions are the Japanese. The proportions are not modified by environment. They are the same among pure-blooded Jews in Europe as among Arabs, among pure-blooded gypsies as among the natives of India, from which their ancestors came. So it is clear that a careful study of their distribution will throw new light on the origin of the human races.

MANY LIVES SAVED. While the tailed monkeys and lower animals do not fit into the human groups, the tail-less apes, such as the orang and chimpanzee, which evolutionists tell us are our nearest animal relations, all belong to one or the other of them.

Blood transfusion was first practised on a large scale during the war. Since then it has been carried out in tens of thousands of cases. Not only can it be used to combat loss of blood from wounds, childbirth, or operations, but it has saved the lives of many new-born babies suffering from internal hemorrhages, and has at least staved off death for several years in pernicious anaemia.

In this country we are still apt to regard blood donors as heroes, though most healthy men can give a quart of blood and return to work next day. But in the United States a more practical point of view prevails, and the professional blood donors have formed a trade union—J. B. S. Haldane in the "Daily Mail."

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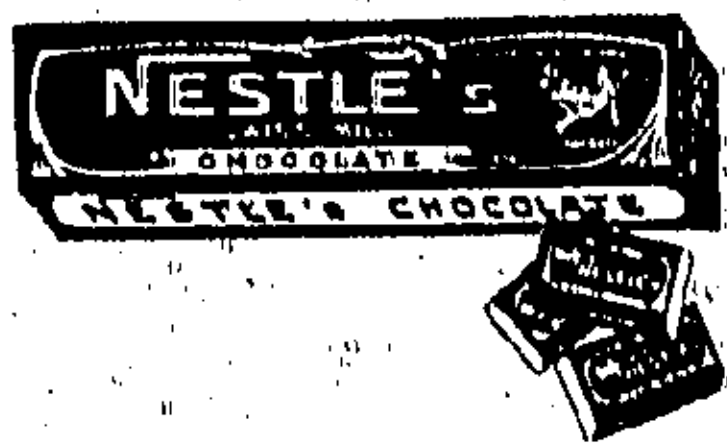
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| U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai                   | Pres. Jefferson     |                 |
| Amoy                                                | Amoy                |                 |
| EUROPE via Nagasaki, (Papers only London, 26th Mar) | Gaerbrücken         |                 |
| U.S.A. Honolulu Japan & Shanghai                    | Pres. Hayes         |                 |
| Straits                                             | Gambhir             |                 |
| Manila                                              | TUESDAY, APRIL 27.  | Empress of Asia |
| Straits                                             | Obisang             |                 |
| U.S.A. Honolulu Japan and Shanghai                  | Pres. Taft          |                 |

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| FOR                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | FRIDAY, APRIL 23.                        | FOR        | TIME       |
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| Amoy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | SATURDAY, APRIL 24.                      | Taiwan     | 8.30 a.m.  |
| Hakow                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | SUNDAY, APRIL 25.                        | Taiwan     | 8.30 a.m.  |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 23rd May                                                                                                                                                      | Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. |            |            |
| Japan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | MONDAY, APRIL 26.                        | Hakow Maru | 10.30 a.m. |
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| Hakow                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Tuesday, April 27.                       | Taiwan     | 8.30 a.m.  |
| Shanghai                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Wednesday, April 28.                     | Taiwan     | 8.30 a.m.  |
| Swatow, Amoy, Foochow                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Thursday, April 29.                      | Taiwan     | 8.30 a.m.  |
| Amoy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Friday, April 30.                        | Taiwan     | 8.30 a.m.  |
| Manila                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Saturday, May 1.                         | Taiwan     | 8.30 a.m.  |
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